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At a General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, begun and holden at Boston on the first Wednesday, being the first day of January, in the year one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, and the one hundred and forty-third of the independence of the United States of America, the following-named members-elect of the Senate, having been duly summoned by the Executive, assembled at eleven o'clock A.M. in the Senate Chamber, to wit:—

Hon. George A. Hastings of North Adams, in the *Berkshire District*.

Hon. Leonard F. Hardy of Huntington, in the *Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden District*.

Hon. Messrs. Silas D. Reed of Taunton,	in the First	} <i>Bristol Districts.</i>
Walter E. McLane of Fall River,	in the Second	
and John Halliwell of New Bedford,	in the Third	

Hon. Charles L. Gifford of Barnstable, in the *Cape and Plymouth District*.

Hon. Messrs. George H. Jackson of Lynn,	in the First	} <i>Essex Districts.</i>
Augustus P. Loring of Beverly,	in the Second	
Charles D. Brown of Gloucester,	in the Third	
Arthur L. Nason of Haverhill,	in the Fourth	
and Edward Callahan of Lawrence,	in the Fifth	

Hon. George B. Churchill of Amherst, in the *Franklin and Hampshire District*.

Hon. Messrs. George D. Chamberlain of Springfield,	in the First	} <i>Hampden Districts.</i>
and John Cronin of Holyoke	in the Second	

Hon. Messrs. Thomas Weston, Jr., of Newton,	in the First	} <i>Middlesex Districts.</i>
Edward A. Counihan, Jr., of Cambridge,	in the Second	
Joseph O. Knox of Somerville,	in the Third	
James F. Cavanagh of Everett,	in the Fourth	
Charles S. Smith of Lincoln,	in the Fifth	
Edwin T. McKnight of Medford,	in the Sixth	
Edward B. Eames of Reading,	in the Seventh	
and Arthur W. Colburn of Dracut,	in the Eighth	

Hon. Harold L. Perrin of Wellesley, in the *Norfolk District*.

Hon. David S. McIntosh of Quincy, in the *Norfolk and Plymouth District*.

Hon. John A. Curtin of Brookline, in the *Norfolk and Suffolk District*.

Hon. Edward N. Dahlborg of Brockton, in the *Plymouth District*.

Hon. Messrs. John E. Beck of Chelsea,	in the First	} <i>Suffolk Districts.</i>
John J. Mahoney of Boston,	in the Second	
William J. Foley of Boston,	in the Third	
Malcolm E. Nichols of Boston,	in the Fourth	
George E. Curran of Boston,	in the Fifth	
Charles A. Winchester of Boston,	in the Sixth	
John J. Walsh of Boston,	in the Seventh	
and Samuel B. Finkel of Boston,	in the Eighth	
	in the Ninth	

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Hon. Messrs. Peter F. Sullivan of Worcester,	in the First	} Worcester Districts.
Clarence W. Hobbs, Jr., of Worcester,	in the Second	
Walter A. Hardy of Fitchburg,	in the Third	
and Francis Prescott of Grafton,	in the Fourth	

Hon. Warren E. Tarbell of Brookfield, in the Worcester and Hampden District.

And were called to order by the Hon. John E. Beck of the First Suffolk District, the elder senior Senator-elect.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend R. Perry Bush, D.D., of Chelsea.

Quorum. On motion of Mr. Hobbs, —

Ordered, That a committee of three be appointed by the Chair to wait upon His Excellency the Governor and the Honorable Council and inform them that a quorum of the Senators-elect is assembled and ready to be qualified.

And Messrs. Hobbs, Nichols and Curran were appointed the committee.

Qualification of Senators.

Subsequently, Mr. Hobbs, for the committee, reported that it had waited upon His Excellency the Governor and the Honorable Council, and had conveyed to them the message of the Honorable Senate; and that His Excellency the Governor had asked him to say that he should be pleased to attend forthwith upon the Honorable Senate, with His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and the Honorable Council, to administer the oaths of office.

Soon after His Excellency the Governor, His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and the Honorable Council came in; and the above-mentioned Senators-elect severally took and subscribed the oaths of office required by the Constitution and a law of the United States to qualify them for the discharge of their duties as Senators for the current political year.

The Governor, the Lieutenant-Governor and the Honorable Council thereupon withdrew.

President. On motion of Mr. Cavanagh, —

Ordered, That a committee of three be appointed by the Chair to collect, assort and count the votes for a President of the Senate.

Messrs. Cavanagh, Colburn and Sullivan were appointed the committee; and the votes having been collected, assorted and counted, Mr. Cavanagh, for the committee, reported as follows: —

Whole number of votes,	38
Necessary for a choice,	20
Edwin T. McKnight of Medford had	38

Mr. McKnight was declared elected.

Mr. McKnight was conducted to the chair by Messrs. McLane and Curran, and addressed the Senate as follows: —

HONORABLE SENATORS: You have elected me as your presiding officer for the year 1919, and I thank you sincerely. No words of mine can adequately express my gratitude for the great honor you have conferred upon me. I feel ill prepared for the great trust, but I am happy in the thought that you are all loyal

Senators and that you will bear with me in my many failings, believing, as you do, that I shall do my best to uphold the honor and dignity of the position for the glory of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

I do not intend to make a speech, but probably a few remarks on present-day conditions may not be out of order at this time. We, as Americans, have learned many lessons from the great war just closed. We have learned much of the loyalty of our people, of the great sacrifices we were all willing to make, of our wonderful resources and our great saving power. All rules and regulations established for the conservation of food, fuel, etc., were accepted by our people without a murmur.

The war started suddenly, but we were able to stand the readjustments that were necessary in changing from a peace basis to that of war. Courage was needed, sacrifices had to be made, and we all had to work together with a common purpose in view, — the winning of the war; and now that it is over readjustment is again in order, at this time courage and foresight are as much needed as in the former readjustment. The war has cost the country an enormous amount of money, and we reckon the National loss in large figures; but, owing to our wealth and resourcefulness and to our Federal Reserve Banking system, we have come out of the conflict somewhat expanded but still sound financially, — the strongest Nation in the world.

Victory came suddenly, and the shock to our industries was correspondingly severe. The sudden cancellation of government contracts has caused the slowing down of many industrial enterprises and consequent discharge of laborers and mechanics, all of which is not conducive to optimism. But with the removal of all restrictions on American enterprise, we may look forward to greater business activities than ever before.

Massachusetts has contributed liberally of her men and women and wealth, and now she must share in the great industrial activity and prosperity that is just ahead.

As Senators, it is our duty to assist business, both large and small. Many matters relating to business will come before us and we should do all we can to remove the shackles that at present bind, and permit none others to be applied. With business protected, prosperity will be ours, labor will be rewarded, and the conflict between labor and capital avoided.

All signs point to the year 1919 as a very busy one for us; so we must govern ourselves accordingly. Senators will help the work by starting all committee meetings promptly and by conducting the hearings as expeditiously as possible, always keeping in mind that the humblest citizen has the same right to be heard as the man of big affairs, and that all bills should be thoroughly discussed before being reported. Heretofore, much time has been taken up by reason of postponement of hearings and by postponement of the matters in the calendar. I hope these delays will be minimized so that we may have as early prorogation as possible consistent with due consideration for the important matters that will surely come before us.

Again, Honorable Senators, I thank you.

Clerk. On motion of Mr. Gifford, —
Ordered, That a committee of three be appointed by the President to collect, assort and count the votes for a Clerk of the Senate.

Messrs. Gifford, Knox and McIntosh were appointed the committee; and the votes having been collected, assorted and counted, Mr. Gifford, for the committee, reported as follows: —

Whole number of votes,	. . . . .	39
Necessary for a choice, .	. . . . .	20
Henry D. Coolidge of Concord had .	. . . . .	39

And Mr. Coolidge was declared elected and was qualified by taking the following oath: —

Whereas, you, Henry D. Coolidge, are chosen Clerk of the Senate of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you do swear that you will truly enter all the votes and orders thereof, and in all things relating to your office that you will act faithfully and impartially according to your best skill and judgment. So help you, God.

Senate rules. On motion of Mr. Beck, —
Ordered, That the rules of the Senate of last year be observed until others shall be adopted.

Organisation of the Senate. On motion of Mr. Churchill, —
Ordered, That a committee of three be appointed to inform His Excellency the Governor and the Honorable Council of the organization of the Senate.

Messrs. Churchill, Chamberlain and Winchester were appointed the committee.

Id. On motion of Mr. Nason, —
Ordered, That a committee of three be appointed to inform the House of Representatives of the organization of the Senate.
 Messrs. Nason, Tarbell and Foley were appointed the committee.

Sergeant-at-Arms. On motion of Mr. Jackson, —
Ordered, That the Senate proceed forthwith to the election of a Sergeant-at-Arms.

Messrs. Jackson, Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden and Finkel were appointed a committee to collect, assort and count the votes; and the votes having been collected, assorted and counted, Mr. Jackson, for the committee, reported as follows: —

Whole number of votes,	. . . . .	39
Necessary for a choice, .	. . . . .	20
Thomas F. Pedrick of Lynn had .	. . . . .	39

And Mr. Pedrick was declared elected on the part of the Senate.

Id. On motion of Mr. Dahlborg, —
Ordered, That a message be sent to His Excellency the Governor and the Honorable Council informing them of the election

on the part of the Senate of Thomas F. Pedrick of Lynn as Sergeant-at-Arms for the current political year.

Mr. Dahlborg was charged with the message.

On motion of Mr. Weston, —

Ordered, That a message be sent to the House of Representatives informing it of the election on the part of the Senate of Thomas F. Pedrick of Lynn as Sergeant-at-Arms for the current political year. Sergeant-at-Arms.

Mr. Weston was charged with the message.

On motion of Mr. Smith, —

Ordered, That the Senate proceed forthwith to the election of a Chaplain of the Senate. Chaplain.

Messrs. Smith, Brown and Counihan were appointed a committee to collect, assort and count the votes; and the votes having been collected, assorted and counted, Mr. Smith, for the committee, reported as follows: —

Whole number of votes,	39
Necessary for a choice,	20
Reverend Edward A. Horton of Boston had	39

And Mr. Horton was declared elected.

On motion of Mr. Callahan, —

Ordered, That the Clerk be directed to notify the Reverend Edward A. Horton of Boston of his election as Chaplain of the Senate. Id.

Member-elect Qualified.

The Hon. John J. Kearney, Senator-elect from the Fourth Suffolk District, being present and ready to be qualified; Messrs. Foley and Winchester were appointed a committee to conduct him to the Governor and Council. Subsequently, Mr. Foley, for the committee, reported that Mr. Kearney had, in the presence of the Governor and Council, taken and subscribed the required oaths of office. Senator-elect
John J.
Kearney.

On motion of Mr. Beck, —

Ordered, That a special committee, to consist of the President and four other members of the Senate, be appointed to prepare rules for the government of the Senate during the present year. Senate rules.

Messrs. Beck, McLane, Eames and Mahoney were appointed to serve with the President on the committee.

Notice was received from the House of Representatives, by a committee thereof, of the organization of that branch, the House having chosen the Honorable Joseph E. Warner of Taunton, Speaker, and Mr. James W. Kimball of Swampscott, Clerk. Organisation
of the House.

On motion of Mr. Eames, —

Ordered, That the joint rules of the two branches of last year be observed until others shall be adopted. Joint rules.

Sent down for concurrence.

Joint rules.

On motion of Mr. Mahoney, —

Ordered, That a joint special committee, to consist of the President and four other members of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to prepare rules for the government of the two branches.

And Messrs. Beck, McLane, Eames and Mahoney were appointed to serve with the President on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently, the order was returned with the endorsement that the House had concurred, and that the Speaker and Messrs. Kneeland of Winchester, Lyman of Easthampton, Achin of Lowell, Hartshorn of Gardner, Dean of Worcester, Mulveny of Fall River, Allen of Norwood, Makepeace of Malden, McDonnell of Boston and Flanagan of Lawrence had been joined to serve with the Speaker on the part of the House.

Returns of
votes for
Governor,
Lieutenant-
Governor, etc.

The following communication, together with the returns of votes and schedules therein referred to, was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, to wit: —

To the Honorable Senate and the House of Representatives: —

I have the honor herewith to lay before you the returns of votes cast at the election held in this Commonwealth on the fifth day of November, 1918, for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver-General, Auditor of the Commonwealth, and Attorney-General, for Councillors, and for Senators, together with schedules showing the number of ballots which appear to have been cast for each person voted for.

These returns have been duly canvassed by the Governor and Council, and are now transmitted for examination by the Senate and House of Representatives, as required by the Constitution.

Very respectfully,

ALBERT P. LANGTRY,
Secretary.

Read and sent down.

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Gifford, —

Ordered, That the returns of votes for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver-General, Auditor of the Commonwealth and Attorney-General be referred to a joint special committee, to consist of three members of the Senate and such as the House may join.

Messrs. Gifford, Reed and Loring were appointed the committee on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently, the order was returned with the endorsement that the House had concurred, and that Messrs. Granger of Agawam, Bartlett of Brockton, Herrick of Beverly, Glazier of Hudson, Tower of Dalton, Manning of Boston, Greaney of Whitman and Shaw of Revere, had been joined.

On motion of Mr. Hastings, —

Ordered, That the returns of votes for Councillors in the several Councillor districts of the Commonwealth be referred to a

Returns of
votes for
Councillors.

joint special committee, to consist of three members of the Senate and such as the House may join.

Messrs. Hastings, Dahlborg and Walsh were appointed the committee on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently, the order was returned with the endorsement that the House had concurred, and that Messrs. Hudson of Waltham, Baxter of Lynn, Foote of Pittsfield, Bearer of Chatham, Jones of Berkley, Jordan of Lawrence, Brennen of Lowell and McMenimen of Cambridge, had been joined.

On motion of Mr. Halliwell, —

Ordered, That the returns of votes for Senators in the several senatorial districts of the Commonwealth be referred to a special committee, to consist of three members. Returns of votes for Senators.

Messrs. Halliwell, Hardy of Worcester and Curtin were appointed the committee.

On motion of Mr. McLane, —

Ordered, That a committee of five be appointed to arrange the seats of the members of the Senate. Seats of members.

Messrs. McLane, Cavanagh, Knox, Brown and Cronin were appointed the committee.

On motion of Mr. McIntosh, —

Ordered, That the Clerk be directed to furnish daily newspapers, not exceeding fourteen in number, to be kept under his direction, for the use of the Senate. Newspapers.

Assistant Clerk.

A communication from the Clerk, announcing his appointment of Mr. William H. Sanger of Boston as Assistant Clerk of the Senate for the current political year, was read and placed on file. Assistant Clerk.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Beck, for the special committee which had been appointed to prepare rules for the government of the Senate, in part, recommending that Senate Rules Nos. 12 and 13 of the year 1918 be adopted as Senate Rules Nos. 12 and 13 of the present year; Senate rules.

Read and, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator, accepted.

By Mr. Beck, for the joint special committee which had been appointed to prepare rules for the government of the two branches, in part, recommending that Joint Rule No. 1 be adopted as follows: — Joint rules.

Committees.

1. Joint standing committees shall be appointed at the beginning of the political year as follows: —

A committee on Constitutional Amendments;

A committee on Counties;

A committee on Education;

A committee on Election Laws;
 A committee on Federal Relations;
 A committee on Harbors and Public Lands;
 A committee on Labor;
 A committee on Municipal Finance;
 A committee on Public Health;
 A committee on Public Service;
 A committee on Reconstruction;
 A committee on Roads and Bridges;
 A committee on Social Welfare;
 A committee on State House and Libraries;
 A committee on Towns;
 A committee on Water Supply;
 A committee on Waterways and Terminals;
 Each to consist of three members on the part of the Senate,
 and eight on the part of the House;
 A committee on Administration and Commissions;
 A committee on Agriculture;
 A committee on Banks and Banking;
 A committee on Cities;
 A committee on Fisheries and Game;
 A committee on Insurance;
 A committee on Legal Affairs;
 A committee on Mercantile Affairs;
 A committee on Metropolitan Affairs;
 A committee on Military Affairs;
 A committee on Public Institutions;
 A committee on Public Lighting;
 A committee on Railroads;
 A committee on Street Railways;
 A committee on Taxation;
 Each to consist of four members on the part of the Senate,
 and eleven on the part of the House.

Matters referred by either the Senate or the House to its committee on the Judiciary, on Ways and Means, or on Rules shall be considered by the respective committees of the two branches, acting as joint committees, when, in the judgment of the chairmen of the respective committees of the two branches, the interests of legislation or the expedition of business will be better served by such joint consideration. Matters may also be referred respectively to the committees on the Judiciary, on Ways and Means, and on Rules, of the two branches, as joint committees.

The committees on Rules, together with the presiding officers of the two branches, acting as a joint committee, may consider and suggest such measures as shall, in their judgment, tend to facilitate the business of the session.

Read and, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator, accepted.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 suspended, on further motion of Mr. Beck.

Returns of
 votes for
 Senators.

Mr. Halliwell, for the special committee to which had been referred the returns of votes for Senators in the several senatorial

districts of the Commonwealth, submitted a report thereon that the following-named persons had been duly elected, to wit:—

Hon. Charles L. Gifford of Barnstable,	in the Cape and Plymouth District.	
Hon. Messrs. Silas D. Reed of Taunton,	in the First	} Bristol Districts.
Walter E. McLane of Fall River,	in the Second	
and John Halliwell of New Bedford,	in the Third	
Hon. Edward N. Dahlborg of Brookton,	in the Plymouth District.	
Hon. David S. McIntosh of Quincy,	in the Norfolk and Plymouth District.	
Hon. Harold L. Perrin of Wellesey,	in the Norfolk District.	
Hon. John A. Curtin of Brookline,	in the Norfolk and Suffolk District.	
Hon. Messrs. John E. Beck of Chelsea,	in the First	} Suffolk Districts.
John J. Mahoney of Boston,	in the Second	
William J. Foley of Boston,	in the Third	
John J. Kearney of Boston,	in the Fourth	
Malcolm E. Nichols of Boston,	in the Fifth	
George E. Curran of Boston,	in the Sixth	
Charles A. Winchester of Boston,	in the Seventh	
John J. Walsh of Boston,	in the Eighth	
and Samuel B. Finkel of Boston,	in the Ninth	
Hon. Messrs. George H. Jackson of Lynn,	in the First	} Essex Districts.
Augustus P. Loring of Beverly,	in the Second	
Charles D. Brown of Gloucester,	in the Third	
Arthur L. Nason of Haverhill,	in the Fourth	
and Edward Callahan of Lawrence,	in the Fifth	
Hon. Messrs. Thomas Weston, Jr. of Newton,	in the First	} Middlesex Districts.
Edward A. Counihan, Jr., of Cambridge,	in the Second	
Joseph O. Knox of Somerville,	in the Third	
James F. Cavanagh of Everett,	in the Fourth	
Charles S. Smith of Lincoln,	in the Fifth	
Edwin T. McKnight of Medford,	in the Sixth	
Edward B. Eames of Reading,	in the Seventh	
and Arthur W. Colburn of Dracut,	in the Eighth	
Hon. Messrs. Peter F. Sullivan of Worcester,	in the First	} Worcester Districts.
Clarence W. Hobbs, Jr., of Worcester,	in the Second	
Walter A. Hardy of Fitchburg,	in the Third	
and Francis Prescott of Grafton,	in the Fourth	
Hon. Warren E. Tarbell of Brookfield,	in the Worcester and Hampden District.	
Hon. George A. Hastings of North Adams,	in the Berkshire District.	
Hon. Leonard F. Hardy of Huntington,	in the Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden District.	
Hon. George B. Churchill of Amherst,	in the Franklin and Hampshire District.	
Hon. Messrs. George D. Chamberlain of Springfield,	in the First	} Hampden Districts.
and John Cronin of Holyoke,	in the Second	

Read and, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Halliwell, accepted.

Orders Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Beck, —

Ordered, That the committee on Rules be authorized to employ assistance.

Committee
on Rules, —
assistance.

On motion of Mr. Prescott, —

Ordered, That the Clerk be authorized to begin the printing of the Journal of the Senate, that one thousand copies of the same be printed, and that a certified copy thereof be deposited with the Secretary of the Commonwealth as the Journal of the Senate.

Journal of
the Senate.

Adjournment. On motion of Mr. Curran, —
Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns, it adjourn to meet to-morrow at eleven o'clock A.M., and that that be the hour of meeting until it shall be otherwise ordered.

Standing Committees of the Senate.

The President appointed the standing committees of the Senate as follows: —

Standing
committees
of the Senate.

On the Judiciary. — Messrs. Cavanagh of Middlesex, Dahlborg of Plymouth, Curtin of Norfolk and Suffolk, Loring of Essex and Counihan of Middlesex.

On Ways and Means. — Messrs. Gifford of Cape and Plymouth, Churchill of Franklin and Hampshire, McLane of Bristol, Smith of Middlesex and Curran of Suffolk.

On Bills in the Third Reading. — Messrs. Finkel of Suffolk, McIntosh of Norfolk and Plymouth and Counihan of Middlesex.

On Engrossed Bills. — Messrs. Prescott of Worcester, Kearney of Suffolk and Mahoney of Suffolk.

On Rules. — The President and Messrs. Beck of Suffolk, McLane of Bristol, Eames of Middlesex and Mahoney of Suffolk.

Joint Standing Committees.

The joint standing committees were appointed as follows: —

Joint standing
committees.

Administration and Commissions. — Messrs. Hobbs of Worcester, Prescott of Worcester, Jackson of Essex and Cavanagh of Middlesex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Smith of Boston, Monk of Watertown, Bowser of Wakefield, Marsh of Springfield, Marsh of Hingham, Doyle of New Bedford, Beardsley of Boston, Balch of Boston, Webster of Boxford, Green of Boston and Bigney of Boston, *of the House*.

Agriculture. — Messrs. Colburn of Middlesex, Eames of Middlesex, Smith of Middlesex and Tarbell of Worcester and Hampden, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Granger of Agawam, Bray of Buckland, Hamilton of Palmer, Ellsworth of Barre, Baxter of Lynn, Butterick of Sterling, Buck of Warren, Wilkins of Carlisle, Haley of Rowley, Carey of Boston and ——— of ———, *of the House*.

Banks and Banking. — Messrs. Curtin of Norfolk and Suffolk, Jackson of Essex, Finkel of Suffolk and Sullivan of Worcester, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Freeling of Fall River, Nichols of Fitchburg, Merriam of Framingham, Pierce of Greenfield, Furness of Everett, Wheeler of Springfield, Burrell of Medford, Webber of East Bridgewater, Woodhead of North Adams, Scigliano of Boston and McKinney of Boston, *of the House*.

Cities. — Messrs. Jackson of Essex, Dahlborg of Plymouth, Hardy of Worcester and Foley of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Woodill of Melrose, Johnson of Worcester, Baxter of Lynn,

Austin of Somerville, Pepin of Salem, Bullock of New Bedford, Grant of Northampton, Knight of Haverhill, McMenimen of Cambridge, Higgins of Taunton and Malone of Worcester, *of the House*.

Constitutional Amendments. — Messrs. Weston of Middlesex, Nason of Essex and Walsh of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Kelley of Fairhaven, Putnam of Lowell, Bates of Salem, Boothman of Adams, Wood of Fall River, Besette of New Bedford, McVann of Peabody and Niland of Boston, *of the House*.

Counties. — Messrs. McIntosh of Norfolk and Plymouth, Brown of Essex and Kearney of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Bagshaw of Fall River, Wadleigh of Merrimac, Daggett of Somerville, Cooley of East Longmeadow, Bellows of Clarksburg, Cooke of Worcester, Ellis of Foxborough and Aigen of Boston, *of the House*.

Education. — Messrs. Churchill of Franklin and Hampshire, Chamberlain of Hampden and Counihan of Middlesex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Hull of Leominster, Baldwin of Brockton, Maloney of Chelsea, Wonson of Gloucester, Boothman of Adams, Glazier of Hudson, Phinney of Boston and Mulvey of Boston, *of the House*.

Election Laws. — Messrs. Loring of Essex, Hobbs of Worcester and Finkel of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Maloney of Chelsea, Woodill of Melrose, Johnson of Worcester, Jones of Berkley, Leavitt of Boston, Clauss of Cambridge, Sawyer of Ware and Manning of Brockton, *of the House*.

Federal Relations. — Messrs. Halliwell of Bristol, Nichols of Suffolk and Cronin of Hampden, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Achin of Lowell, French of Somerville, Richards of Malden, Larocque of Fall River, Thomas of Gloucester, Lane of Boston, Manning of Boston and Hayden of Lynn, *of the House*.

Fisheries and Game. — Messrs. Prescott of Worcester, Brown of Essex, Colburn of Middlesex and Foley of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Smith of Provincetown, Collins of Edgartown, Bennett of Springfield, Baldwin of Brockton, Howland of New Bedford, Cowdrey of Fitchburg, Jones of Nantucket, Tower of Dalton, Crane of Blackstone, Harrington of Fall River and Malone of Worcester, *of the House*.

Harbors and Public Lands. — Messrs. Brown of Essex, McIntosh of Norfolk and Plymouth and Cronin of Hampden, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Haynes of Scituate, Smith of Provincetown, Jones of Nantucket, Nelson of Worcester, Stedman of Methuen, Herrick of Beverly, Jordan of Lawrence and Hearn of Boston, *of the House*.

Insurance. — Messrs. McLane of Bristol, Curtin of Norfolk and Suffolk, Brown of Essex and Callahan of Essex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. French of Somerville, Moran of Mansfield, Fleming of Somerville, Taylor of Lexington, Hamburger of Boston, Steele of Brockton, Bearse of Chatham, Oberti of Haverhill, Reidy of Boston, Murphy of Boston and Driscoll of Boston, *of the House*.

Joint standing
committees.

Labor. — Messrs. Hardy of Worcester, Gifford of Cape and Plymouth and Chamberlain of Hampden, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Torrey of Groton, Cowdrey of Fitchburg, Cooley of East Longmeadow, Moulton of Rutland, Babcock of Milton, Whidden of Brookline, Kelley of Worcester and Quinn of Sharon, *of the House*.

Legal Affairs. — Messrs. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, Reed of Bristol, Perrin of Norfolk and Walsh of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Gibbs of Waltham, Gould of Milford, Fairbanks of Springfield, Wall of Worcester, Woodsum of Braintree, Wells of Boston, Brier of Boston, Stone of Boston, O'Connor of Chicopee, Kelleher of Cambridge and Shaw of Revere, *of the House*.

Mercantile Affairs. — Messrs. Knox of Middlesex, Tarbell of Worcester and Hampden, McIntosh of Norfolk and Plymouth and Foley of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Brown of Woburn, Clauss of Cambridge, Odlin of Lynn, Keniston of Boston, ——— of ———, Fleming of Somerville, Bunting of Methuen, Ryder of Middleborough, Dawley of Westminster, Hickey of Boston and Reardon of Boston, *of the House*.

Metropolitan Affairs. — Messrs. Smith of Middlesex, Nichols of Suffolk, Finkel of Suffolk and Mahoney of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Bitzer of Arlington, Robinson of Somerville, Clark of Boston, Arnold of Boston, Reading of Cambridge, Fowler of Boston, Early of Newton, Chase of Lynn, Feinberg of Boston, Brennan of Boston and ——— of ———, *of the House*.

Military Affairs. — Messrs. Reed of Bristol, Tarbell of Worcester and Hampden, Hardy of Worcester and Sullivan of Worcester, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Pierce of Greenfield, Richards of Malden, Robinson of Somerville, Torrey of Beverly, Robertson of North Andover, Whidden of Brookline, Wells of Boston, Durgin of Wenham, Corbett of Lowell, Mellen of Boston and Cashman of Boston, *of the House*.

Municipal Finance. — Messrs. Halliwell of Bristol, Beck of Suffolk and Churchill of Franklin and Hampshire, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Hudson of Waltham, Bates of Salem, Bartlett of Brockton, Lyman of Medford, Newhall of Lynn, Bradbury of Winthrop, Kidder of Cambridge and Corbett of Lowell, *of the House*.

Public Health. — Messrs. Chamberlain of Hampden, Jackson of Essex and Hastings of Berkshire, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Johnson of Uxbridge, Mulveny of Fall River, Furness of Everett, Glazier of Hudson, Buck of Billerica, Sackett of Holyoke, Brennen of Lowell and Reidy of Boston, *of the House*.

Public Institutions. — Messrs. Dahlborg of Plymouth, Knox of Middlesex, Chamberlain of Hampden and Winchester of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Bliss of Malden, Larocque of Fall River, Kelley of Fairhaven, Dean of Worcester, Cox of Boston, Mellen of Worcester, Briggs of Plymouth, Keating of Westborough, Symonds of Lynn, Murphy of Holyoke and Sawyer of Ware, *of the House*.

Public Lighting. — Messrs. Beck of Suffolk, Halliwell of Bristol, Nason of Essex and Curran of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Martin Hays of Boston, Bullock of New Bedford, Snow of Westfield, Collins of Edgartown, Bennett of Springfield, Wharton of Boston, Plattner of North Attleborough, McDonald of Quincy, Joyce of Boston, Harrington of Fall River and James W. Hayes of Boston, *of the House*.

Public Service. — Messrs. Hastings of Berkshire, Perrin of Norfolk and Loring of Essex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Whitman of Quincy, Wood of Fall River, Johnson of Uxbridge, Marsh of Springfield, Hinckley of Barnstable, Coleman of Orange, Gillen of Boston and Francis of Boston, *of the House*.

Railroads. — Messrs. Hobbs of Worcester, Hardy of Worcester, Prescott of Worcester and Winchester of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Jewett of Lowell, Freeling of Fall River, Pepin of Salem, Greenwood of Everett, Jones of Berkley, Hudson of Waltham, Foote of Pittsfield, O'Brien of Chelsea, Bradbury of Lawrence, Schell of Boston and Lamoureux of Southbridge, *of the House*.

Reconstruction. — Messrs. Loring of Essex, Gifford of Cape and Plymouth and Hastings of Berkshire, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Spinney of Weymouth, Barry of Lynn, Putnam of Lowell, Emery of Newburyport, Baldwin of Brookline, Webster of Boxford, Worrall of Attleboro and Englert of Boston, *of the House*.

Roads and Bridges. — Messrs. Eames of Middlesex, Colburn of Middlesex and Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Emery of Newburyport, Bentley of Swampscott, Moulton of Rutland, Baker of Marlborough, Nelson of Worcester, Leavitt of Boston, Tower of Dalton and White of North Brookfield, *of the House*.

Social Welfare. — Messrs. Hastings of Berkshire, Colburn of Middlesex and Kearney of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Greenwood of Everett, Merriam of Framingham, Ellis of Foxborough, Wright of Rockland, Lyman of Medford, Nelson of Quincy, Conroy of Fall River and Greaney of Whitman, *of the House*.

State House and Libraries. — Messrs. Perrin of Norfolk, Weston of Middlesex and Cronin of Hampden, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Odlin of Lynn, Daggett of Somerville, Bellows of Clarksburg, Howland of New Bedford, Wonson of Gloucester, Woodhead of North Adams, Englert of Boston and Kelley of Boston, *of the House*.

Street Railways. — Messrs. Perrin of Norfolk, Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, Knox of Middlesex and Cavanagh of Middlesex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Bowser of Wakefield, Gibbs of Waltham, Baldwin of Brookline, Martin Hays of Boston, Allen of Lynn, Nichols of Fitchburg, Babcock of Milton, Jones of Pittsfield, Manning of Brockton, McDonnell of Boston and Cowin of Boston, *of the House*.

Joint standing
committees.

Taxation. — Messrs. Nichols of Suffolk, Gifford of Cape and Plymouth, Nason of Essex and Curran of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Kneeland of Winchester, Spinney of Weymouth, Newhall of Stoneham, Powers of Newton, Allen of Norwood, Torrey of Groton, Ollendorff of Medway, Blague of Springfield, Beane of Cambridge, Moynihan of Boston and Quinn of Sharon, *of the House*.

Towns. — Messrs. Tarbell of Worcester and Hampden, Reed of Bristol and Hobbs of Worcester, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Osborne of Marblehead, Marsh of Hingham, Bentley of Swampscott, Ollendorff of Medway, Hudson of Clinton, Breault of Auburn, Davis of Ashland and Wragg of Needham, *of the House*.

Water Supply. — Messrs. Nason of Essex, Dahlborg of Plymouth and Callahan of Essex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Bessette of New Bedford, Bartlett of Brockton, Clark of Boston, Cook of New Bedford, Ryder of Middleborough, Newhall of Lynn, McMahon of Lowell and Melody of Boston, *of the House*.

Waterways and Terminals. — Messrs. Beck of Suffolk, McLane of Bristol and Cavanagh of Middlesex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Monk of Watertown, Smith of Boston, Bliss of Malden, Jewett of Lowell, Bray of Buckland, Haigis of Montague, Winn of Worcester and Flanagan of Lawrence, *of the House*.

On motion of Mr. Finkel, at twenty-three minutes past two o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

THURSDAY, January 2, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

The Reverend Edward A. Horton of Boston, having accepted the office of Chaplain, was present and offered prayer.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. McLane, —

Ordered, That the daily reading of the Journal be dispensed with until it shall be otherwise ordered. Journal of the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

Mr. Gifford, for the joint special committee to which had been referred the returns of votes for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver-General, Auditor of the Commonwealth and Attorney-General, submitted the following report: — Returns of votes for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, and others.

From an examination of the returns, it appears that votes were cast as follows: —

For Governor.

CALVIN COOLIDGE of Northampton has	214,863	votes.
RICHARD H. LONG of Framingham has	197,828	"
SYLVESTER J. MCBRIDE of Watertown has	7,757	"
INGVAR PAULSEN of Boston has	1,913	"
All others,	9	"

And CALVIN COOLIDGE is elected.

For Lieutenant-Governor.

CHANNING H. COX of Boston has	220,104	votes.
JOSEPH H. O'NEIL of Boston has	179,709	"
OSCAR KINSALAS of Springfield has	10,157	"
All others,	100	"

And CHANNING H. COX is elected.

For Secretary.

ALBERT P. LANGTRY of Springfield has	226,836	votes.
CHARLES H. MCGLUE of Lynn has	166,359	"
WILLIAM TAYLOR of Worcester has	9,862	"
All others,	83	"

And ALBERT P. LANGTRY is elected.

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For Treasurer and Receiver-General.

CHARLES L. BURRILL of Boston has . . .	224,702	votes.
CHARLES GIDDINGS of Great Barrington has . . .	166,163	"
MARY E. PETERSON of Somerville has . . .	9,418	"
All others, . . .	86	"
And CHARLES L. BURRILL is elected.		

For Auditor.

ALONZO B. COOK of Boston has . . .	221,903	votes.
FRANCIS M. COSTELLO of Boston has . . .	165,673	"
FRED E. OELCHER of Peabody has . . .	8,503	"
All others, . . .	101	"
And ALONZO B. COOK is elected.		

For Attorney-General.

HENRY C. ATTWILL of Lynn has . . .	228,015	votes.
JOSEPH L. P. ST. CŒUR of Boston has . . .	159,217	"
MORRIS I. BECKER of Chelsea has . . .	11,393	"
All others, . . .	94	"
And HENRY C. ATTWILL is elected.		

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Reed, and the report was considered forthwith and was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence (Senate Rule No. 8 being suspended, on further motion of Mr. Reed), and subsequently returned, accepted, in concurrence.

Returns of
votes for
Councillors.

Mr. Hastings, for the joint special committee to which had been referred the returns of votes for Councillors in the several councillor districts of the Commonwealth, submitted a report thereon, as follows:—

It appears from an examination of the returns that the following-named persons have been duly elected in their respective districts, to wit:—

DISTRICT No. 1.	— HARRY H. WILLIAMS of Brockton.
" "	2. — HORACE A. CARTER of Needham.
" "	3. — LEWIS R. SULLIVAN of Boston.
" "	4. — GEORGE B. WASON of Cambridge.
" "	5. — JAMES F. INGRAHAM, Jr., of Peabody.
" "	6. — JAMES G. HARRIS of Medford.
" "	7. — MATTHEW J. WHITTALL of Worcester.
" "	8. — HENRY L. BOWLES of Springfield.

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Hastings, and the report was considered forthwith and was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence (Senate Rule No. 8 being suspended, on further motion of the same Senator), and subsequently returned, accepted, in concurrence.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Nason, —

Ordered, That a committee be appointed, to be joined, to inform His Honor Calvin Coolidge that he has been duly elected, in the manner prescribed by the Constitution, Governor of the Commonwealth for the current political year, and that the General Court will be ready to attend upon him in taking and subscribing the oaths required by the Constitution and a law of the United States to qualify him for the discharge of the duties of the office at such hour as may suit his convenience; also to inform the Honorable Channing H. Cox that he has been duly elected, in the manner prescribed by the Constitution, Lieutenant-Governor of the Commonwealth for the current political year, and that the General Court will attend upon him in taking and subscribing the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him for the discharge of the duties of the office when agreeable to him; and Messrs. Nason, Chamberlain and Walsh were appointed the committee on the part of the Senate.

Governor-elect and Lieutenant-Governor-elect notified of election.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently, the order was returned with the endorsement that the House had concurred, and that Messrs. Blague of Springfield, Webster of Boxford, Tower of Dalton, Bates of Salem, Cooley of East Longmeadow, Higgins of Taunton, McDonnell of Boston and Conroy of Fall River, of the House, had been joined.

Mr. Nason, for the committee, afterwards reported that it had attended to the duty assigned it, that the Governor-elect and the Lieutenant-Governor-elect had signified their acceptance of their respective offices, and that they were ready to be qualified forthwith.

On motion of Mr. Hastings, —

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth give notice to Messrs. Harry H. Williams, Horace A. Carter, Lewis R. Sullivan, George B. Wason, James F. Ingraham, Jr., James G. Harris, Matthew J. Whittall and Henry L. Bowles, that they have been duly elected Councillors to advise the Governor in the executive part of the government for the current political year.

Councillors notified.

Sent down for concurrence, and subsequently returned by the House, adopted, in concurrence.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth announcing that the Councillors-elect had severally signified their acceptance of the trust, and were ready to be qualified; and the same was read and sent down to the House.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Smith, —

Ordered, That a Convention of the two Houses be held forthwith, for the purpose of administering the oaths of office to the Governor-elect, to the Lieutenant-Governor-elect, and to the several Councillors-elect.

Convention of the two branches.

Sent down for concurrence, and subsequently returned, adopted, in concurrence.

Pursuant to assignment, for the purpose above specified, the two branches met in

CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. Churchill, —

Qualifications
of Governor
and Lieutenant-
Governor.

Ordered, That a committee be appointed, to consist of three members of the Senate and eight members of the House, to wait upon the Governor-elect, the Lieutenant-Governor-elect and the several Councillors-elect, and inform them that the two branches of the General Court are now in Convention for the purpose of administering the oaths required to qualify them for the discharge of the duties of their respective offices.

Messrs. Churchill, Brown and Winchester, of the Senate, and Messrs. Jewett of Lowell, Grant of Northampton, Wheeler of Springfield, White of North Brookfield, Chase of Lynn, Quinn of Sharon, Reardon of Boston and McMahon of Lowell, of the House, were appointed the committee.

Mr. Churchill, for the committee, afterwards reported that the Governor-elect, the Lieutenant-Governor-elect and the Councillors-elect would immediately attend upon the Convention.

The Governor-elect, the Lieutenant-Governor-elect and the Councillors-elect then entered the hall, accompanied by various civil and military officers.

Before the President of the Senate, and in the presence of the two Houses of Assembly, the oaths and affirmations of office were then administered to, and subscribed by, His Excellency Calvin Coolidge as Governor, and His Honor Channing H. Cox as Lieutenant-Governor, and proclamation thereof was made by the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Governor's
Address.

His Excellency the Governor thereupon submitted an address upon the general concerns of the Commonwealth (see Senate Document No. 1).

Qualification of
Councillors.

Before the President of the Senate and in the presence of the two Houses of Assembly, the oaths and affirmations of office were then administered to, and subscribed by, Messrs. Harry H. Williams, Horace A. Carter, Lewis R. Sullivan, George B. Wason, James F. Ingraham, Jr., James G. Harris, Matthew J. Whittall and Henry L. Bowles, as Councillors.

His Excellency the Governor, His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, the Honorable Council, and the guests then withdrew, the convention was dissolved, and the Senate returned to its chamber.

Report of a Committee.

Seats of
members.

Mr. McLane, for the special committee which had been appointed to arrange the seats of members, reported, recommending the following

ARRANGEMENT OF SEATS.

On President's Right.

1. Hon. Samuel B. Finkel.
2. Hon. Edward A. Counihan, Jr.
3. Hon. Malcolm E. Nichols.
4. Hon. John J. Mahoney.
5. Hon. William J. Foley.
6. Hon. David S. McIntosh.
7. Hon. Harold L. Perrin.
8. Hon. Edward N. Dahlborg.
9. Hon. John Halliwell.
10. Hon. George E. Curran.
11. Hon. Arthur L. Nason.
12. Hon. Francis Prescott.
13. Hon. George H. Jackson.
14. Hon. George A. Hastings.
15. Hon. Joseph O. Knox.
16. Hon. Arthur W. Colburn.
17. Hon. Charles D. Brown.
18. Hon. Clarence W. Hobbs, Jr.
19. Hon. George B. Churchill.
20. Hon. Charles L. Gifford.

On President's Left.

1. Hon. John E. Beck.
2. Hon. Walter E. McLane.
3. Hon. Edward B. Eames.
4. Hon. Leonard F. Hardy.
5. Hon. John J. Walsh.
6. Hon. Peter F. Sullivan.
7. Hon. Walter A. Hardy.
8. Hon. John A. Curtin.
9. Hon. John J. Kearney.
10. Hon. Edward Callahan.
11. Hon. Charles A. Winchester.
12. Hon. John Cronin.
13. — (Vacant). —
14. Hon. Warren E. Tarbell.
15. Hon. Silas D. Reed.
16. Hon. Thomas Weston, Jr.
17. Hon. George D. Chamberlain.
18. Hon. Augustus P. Loring.
19. Hon. Charles S. Smith.
20. Hon. James F. Cavanagh.

Read and, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McLane, considered forthwith and accepted.

Orders Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Halliwell, —

Ordered, That the clerks of the two branches give notice to the Honorable Albert P. Langtry of Springfield that he has been elected Secretary of the Commonwealth; to the Honorable Charles L. Burrill of Boston that he has been elected Treasurer and Receiver-General; to the Honorable Alonzo B. Cook of Boston that he has been elected Auditor of the Commonwealth; and to the Honorable Henry C. Attwill of Lynn that he has been elected Attorney-General, — severally, to hold office for one year from the third Wednesday in January instant.

Secretary,
Treasurer,
Auditor and
Attorney-
General.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. McLane, —

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns to-morrow, it adjourn to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock P.M., and that thereafter, until it shall be otherwise ordered, two o'clock P.M. be the daily hour of meeting.

Senate, —
daily hour
of meeting.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

The following House orders were adopted, in concurrence: —

Ordered, That the joint committee on Rules consider what disposition should be made of the several portions of the Governor's Address.

Governor's
Address, —
disposition of.

Ordered, That the joint committee on Rules cause to be prepared a bulletin of committee hearings and matters before committees.

Bulletin of
committee
hearings.

Secretary
to notify
Governor of
election of
Councillors.

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth give notice to His Excellency the Governor that Messrs. Harry H. Williams, Horace A. Carter, Lewis R. Sullivan, George B. Wason, James F. Ingraham, Jr., James G. Harris, Matthew J. Whittall and Henry L. Bowles have been duly elected and qualified as Councillors, to advise him in the executive part of the government for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. Foley, at twenty-one minutes past one o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

FRIDAY, January 3, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Pay-Roll.

On motion of Mr. Gifford, —

Ordered, That the Clerk be instructed to make up the pay-roll of the Senate for compensation for travel, as provided for in chapter 3 of the Revised Laws, the same to be computed according to the table of distances established by an order of the Senate adopted June 14, 1892, except that the compensation for the Senator from Plymouth, Mr. Dahlborg, shall be computed as for 30 miles instead of 25 miles, and the compensation for the Senator from Bristol, Mr. Halliwell, shall be computed as for 60 miles instead of 55 miles.

Senate, —
pay-roll for
travel.

In accordance with the provisions of the foregoing order, the Clerk reported the pay-roll for compensation for travel; and it was thereupon,

On motion of Mr. Gifford, —

Ordered, That there be allowed and paid from the treasury of ^{Id.} the Commonwealth to the several Senators whose names are borne upon the accompanying roll, the sums set against their respective names, amounting in the aggregate to three thousand five hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$3,525), for compensation for travel for the present session of the General Court.

Petitions.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows: —

By Mr. Hobbs, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 3) of Augustus P. Loring and Clarence W. Hobbs, Jr., that provision be made for reorganizing and consolidating the executive and administrative work of the Commonwealth;

Boards and
commissions, —
consolidation.

To the committee on Administration and Commissions.

By Mr. Jackson, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 4) of M. F. O'Brien, for the Federation of State, City and Town Employees' Unions, relative to vacations for municipal employees;

Municipal
employees, —
vacations.

To the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Knox, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 5) of Joseph O. Knox that further provision be made for absent voting;

Absent voting.

To the committee on Election Laws.

By Mr. Finkel, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 6) of J. Butler Studley and others relative to the allowance to the prevailing party for the printing of briefs for argument before the Supreme Judicial Court;

Supreme Judicial
Court, —
allowance for
printing of
briefs.

To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Textile
factories, —
specifications
to operatives.

By Mr. Halliwell, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 7) of Abraham Binns and others relative to the specifications to be furnished to operatives in textile factories;

To the committee on Labor.

Boats and
canoes.

By Mr. Walsh, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 8) of Francis A. Morse and others relative to the hiring and letting of boats and canoes;

To the committee on Legal Affairs.

State em-
ployees, —
compensation
during mili-
tary service.
Soldiers and
sailors, —
memorial
medals.

By Mr. Knox, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 9) of Joseph O. Knox relative to the compensation of State employees in the military or naval service of the United States;

By Mr. Nason, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 10) of Arthur L. Nason that memorial medals be presented to each soldier, sailor or marine from this Commonwealth who served in the war with Germany; and

Soldiers and
sailors, —
municipal
monuments.

By Mr. Prescott, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 11) of Francis Prescott that cities and towns may be authorized to appropriate money for erecting suitable monuments in honor of their inhabitants who served in the United States army or navy in time of war;

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Danvers, —
water loan.

By Mr. Loring, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 12) of J. Ellison Morse and others, water board of the town of Danvers, that said town be authorized to make an additional water loan;

To the committee on Municipal Finance.

Suffolk County
land court, —
salary of
court officer.

By Mr. Beck, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 13) of Joseph H. Bonner and others that the salary of the court officer for the land court for the county of Suffolk be increased;

To the committee on Public Service.

Motor-vehicles,
— highways
to be kept
passable during
winter months.

By Mr. Hastings, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 14) of George A. Hastings that the Massachusetts Highway Commission be authorized to keep certain highways on main through routes passable for motor-vehicles during the winter months; and

Motor-vehicles,
— operation.

By Mr. Hobbs, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 15) of Jerome R. George relative to the operation of motor-vehicles;

Severally to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Women and
minors, —
hours of labor.

By Mr. Halliwell, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 16) of James Tansey and others relative to the working hours of women and minors in certain establishments;

Municipal
employees, —
pensions.

By Mr. Knox, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 17) of M. F. O'Brien, president of the Federation of State, City and Town Employees' Unions, relative to the amount of the pension or annuity payable to retired municipal employees; and

Boston, —
pensions for
drawtenders.

By Mr. Mahoney, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 18) of Francis F. Morse, for the Federation of State, City and Town Employees' Unions, that drawtenders and assistant

drawtenders employed by the city of Boston be entitled to receive pensions;

Severally to the committee on Social Welfare.

By Mr. Hobbs, a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, Ella M. Foye. No. 19) of Ella M. Foye that she be reimbursed for a certain tax wrongfully paid;

To the joint committee on Ways and Means.

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE.

Notice was received from the House that Thomas F. Pedrick of Lynn had been elected Sergeant-at-Arms, on the part of the House, for the current political year. ^{Sergeant-at-Arms.}

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Nason, —

Ordered, That the clerks of the two branches give notice to ^{Id.} Thomas F. Pedrick of Lynn that he has been elected by the two branches of the General Court Sergeant-at-Arms for the current political year.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Loring, at twenty-five minutes past eleven o'clock A.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, January 6, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Message from the Governor.

The following message was received from His Excellency the Governor, to wit: —

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, January 6, 1919.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

Message from
the Governor,
— list of
pardons.

I have the honor to transmit herewith to the General Court a report of the pardons granted in 1918, left with me by my predecessor in office.

CALVIN COOLIDGE.

The message was read; and, on motions of Mr. Beck, it was laid on the table, accompanied by the report, and, with the report, was ordered to be printed (Senate, No. 2).

Petitions.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows: —

Boston, —
widow of
Patrick Carr.

By Mr. Foley, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 20) of William J. Foley that the city of Boston be authorized to pay an annuity to the widow of Patrick Carr, late a member of the police department of said city; and

Fall River, —
board of
aldermen.

By Mr. McLane, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 21) of Alvin G. Weeks that the compensation of the members of the board of aldermen of the city of Fall River be established;

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Polls, — en-
forced attend-
ance.

By Mr. Loring, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 22) of Ralph S. Bauer that provision be made for enforcing attendance at the polls;

To the committee on Election Laws.

Superior Court,
— salaries of
Justices.

By Mr. Churchill, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 23) of John C. Hammond and others that the salaries of the Justices of the Superior Court be established;

To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Boston, —
water-meter
rates.

By Mr. Foley, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 24) of Coleman E. Kelley relative to the abatement of the water-meter rates in the city of Boston;

To the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Boston, —
city clerk and
assistant city
clerk.

By Mr. Nichols, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 25) of Malcolm E. Nichols that the offices of city clerk and as-

sistant city clerk of the city of Boston be placed under civil service law and rules;

To the committee on Public Service.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

House petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4) of James H. Brennan for the appointment of a commission to acquire for the Commonwealth and to maintain Bunker Hill Monument and adjacent grounds;

Bunker Hill Monument, — State control.

To the committee on Administration and Commissions.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5) of William R. McMenimen for the establishment of a two-platoon system in the fire department of the city of Cambridge;

Cambridge fire department, — two-platoon system.

To the committee on Cities.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 6) of Thomas A. Niland for the election of a school-committee in the city of Boston to consist of one member from each ward of said city;

Boston school-committee, — membership.

To the committee on Education.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 7) of Fred P. Greenwood that city and State elections be held upon the same day;

City and State elections, — uniform date.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 8) of Fred P. Greenwood that city elections be held in the month of October;

City elections in October.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 9) of Frederick T. Fuller for an official campaign bulletin of information relative to qualifications of candidates and to referendum measures;

Official campaign bulletin.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 10) of Thomas A. Niland that members of the Public Service Commission be elected by the people; and

Public Service Commission — election of members.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 11) of Roland D. Sawyer for the establishment of an absent voting system in connection with the elections of the Commonwealth;

Elections, — absent voting system.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 12) of Roland D. Sawyer that the open season for hunting partridge, quail, gray squirrels and woodcock be lengthened;

Partridge, quail, gray squirrels and woodcock.

To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 13) of Thomas A. Niland that fire insurance companies be required to pay a part of the cost of equipping and maintaining municipal fire departments;

Fire departments, — support by insurance companies.

To the committee on Insurance.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 14) of Carrie B. Pope and others for the sale of rights of unknown owners in land at Town Neck in the town of Sandwich and the partition of said land among the owners thereof;

Sandwich, — partition of land at Town Neck.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 15) of Daniel C. Murphy that honorably discharged soldiers and sailors be relieved from past criminal records; and

Soldiers and sailors, — criminal records.

Legislative
counsel and
agents.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 16) of Robert M. Washburn relative to promoting or opposing proposed legislation for hire;

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Corporations,
— payment of
wages.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 17) of M. A. O'Brien, Jr., relative to the semi-monthly payment of wages by corporations; and

Employment
of aliens.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 18) of Thomas A. Niland that the employment of aliens be prohibited or restricted; Severally to the committee on Labor.

Private
employment
agencies and
labor bureaus.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 20) of Harry J. Dooley for restriction or abolition of the business of conducting private employment agencies and labor bureaus;

J. Joseph
Cooper of
Brockton.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 21) of J. Joseph Cooper of Brockton that certain of his acts as a notary public be confirmed;

Twelfth day of
February, —
legal holiday.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 22) of M. A. O'Brien, Jr., that the twelfth day of February be made a legal holiday to be known as Lincoln Day;

Eleventh day
of November,
— legal holiday.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 23) of Charles H. Hartshorn that November 11 be made a legal holiday in commemoration of the close of the great war;

Federal
election day, —
legal holiday.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 24) of Charles A. Kelley that Federal election day be made a legal holiday in this Commonwealth;

Jurors, —
compensation
and mileage.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House No. 25) of Thomas A. Niland that the compensation and mileage of jurors be increased;

Feats
dangerous to
life and limb.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 26) of Thomas A. Niland that the public performance of feats which endanger life or limb be prohibited or restricted; and

Trained
animals,
— public
exhibition.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 27) of Thomas A. Niland that the public exhibition of trained animals be restricted or abolished;

Severally to the committee on Legal Affairs;

State Guard,
— retention
of uniforms.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 28) of George F. Hogan and others that members of the State Guard when mustered out of service be allowed to retain their uniforms; and

State Guard,
— retention
of overcoats.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 29) of Roland D. Sawyer that members of the State Guard be authorized to retain and to wear the overcoats furnished by the Commonwealth;

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Municipal
buildings for
war veterans.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 30) of Charles Symonds that cities and towns be authorized to construct and maintain buildings for the use of veterans of the European war and other wars;

To the committee on Municipal Finance.

Receptacles
for beverages
and ice cream.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 31) of D. C. Murphy relative to the cleansing of receptacles used in serving beverages and ice cream;

To the committee on Public Health.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 32) of Thomas A. Niland that members of the General Court be authorized to enter and inspect public buildings and institutions at any time of day and night;

Legislators,
— right to
enter public
institutions.

To the committee on Public Institutions.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 33) of Thomas A. Niland that the price of gas sold in the cities of Boston and Chelsea be established;

Boston and
Chelsea, —
price of gas.

To the committee on Public Lighting.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 34) of Charles A. Kelley relative to the compensation of employees of State institutions; and

State
institutions, —
compensation
of employees.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 35) of Thomas A. Niland relative to the certification and selection of employees for the civil service;

Civil service
employees, —
certification
and selection.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 36) of James H. Brennan for a commission to readjust and reconstruct the industrial, labor and economic conditions existent at the close of the war;

Reconstruction
commission.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 37) of Thomas A. Niland that preference be given to war veterans in examinations for positions in the civil service; and

War veterans,
— preference
in the civil
service.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 38) of Charles A. Kelley that preference be given in all public employment and in civil service examinations to war veterans;

Id.

Severally to the committee on Reconstruction.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 39) of Thomas A. Niland that the Public Service Commission be required to notify members of the General Court of hearings on matters affecting the interests of their districts;

Legislators, —
notification
of hearings
before the
Public Service
Commission.

To the joint committee on Rules.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 40) of Roland D. Sawyer for further legislation relative to aiding mothers with dependent children;

Mothers with
dependent
children, —
public aid.

To the committee on Social Welfare.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 41) of Walter Gilman Page for the erection on the State House grounds of a reproduction of the John Hancock house for use as an historical museum and memorial building;

State House
grounds, —
John Hancock
house museum
and memorial.

To the committee on State House and Libraries.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 42) of Ernest A. Larocque relative to the approval by cities and towns of changes in the charges or service of public service corporations; and

Public service
corporations,
— approval of
changes in
service.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 43) of Thomas A. Niland for an investigation of the brakes used on cars of the Boston Elevated Railway Company and other street railway companies;

Boston
Elevated
Railway
Company, —
investigation
of brakes.

Severally to the committee on Street Railways.

War veterans,
— poll tax
exemptions.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 44) of Charles A. Kelley that war veterans be exempted from the payment of poll-taxes;

To the committee on Taxation.

Samantha
Talbot and
Delia Dailey,
— annuities.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 45) of Samantha Talbot and Delia Dailey of Agawam for a continuance and an increase in the annuities allowed them by the Commonwealth;

To the joint committee on Ways and Means.

The following House order was adopted, in concurrence: —

Recess
committee
investigating
the fish
industry, —
report.

Ordered, That the time within which the General Court will receive the report of the joint special committee appointed under an order of the General Court of 1918 to continue the investigation of the fish industry in this Commonwealth be extended to the first day of March in the current year.

On motion of Mr. Brown, at fifteen minutes past two o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, January 7, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report.

A Report of the Treasurer and Receiver General, the Auditor and the Attorney-General relative to the bonds required by certain officials and employees of the Commonwealth, — was laid before the Senate; and, on motions of Mr. Beck, it was laid upon the table and ordered to be printed (Senate No. 26).

State officials
and employees,
— bonds.

Petitions.

The following petitions were presented and referred: —

By Mr. Beck, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 27) of John E. Beck relative to the admission as evidence of records of conviction of witnesses;

Witnesses, —
records of
conviction.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 28) of John E. Beck that a penalty be provided for the careless operation of motor-vehicles; and

Motor-vehicles,
— careless
operation.

By Mr. Loring, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 29) of Augustus P. Loring relative to the drawing and passing of fraudulent checks, drafts and orders;

Fraudulent
checks, drafts
and orders.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Mahoney, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 30) of Arthur W. Dolan and others that provision be made for a messenger to the probate court and court of insolvency for the county of Suffolk;

Suffolk
County, —
messenger to
probate court.

To the committee on Legal Affairs.

By Mr. Beck, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 31) of M. F. O'Brien, president of the Federation of State, City and Town Employees' Unions, for an increase in the wages of employees of certain metropolitan boards and commissions; and

Metropolitan
boards and
commissions,
— wages of
employees.

By Mr. Curtin, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 32) of Daniel J. Kiley that certain cities and towns be consolidated into one municipality to be known as Greater Boston;

Greater Boston.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

By Mr. Beck, a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 33) of John E. Beck that provision be made for the expenses of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts;

Soldiers'
Home in
Massachusetts.

To the committee on Military Affairs.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 34) of John E. Beck for an increase in the amount of State reimbursement to cities and towns on account of aid extended to mothers with dependent children;

Mothers with
dependent
children, —
State aid.

Boston and
Cambridge, —
pensions for
drawtenders.

By Mr. Counihan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 35) of Francis F. Morse, for the Federation of State, City and Town Employees' Unions, that provision be made for pensioning the drawtenders and assistant drawtenders employed on the bridges between Boston and Cambridge; and

Boston, —
retirement
allowance for
laborers.

By Mr. Kearney, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 36) of M. F. O'Brien, president of the Federation of State, City and Town Employees' Unions, that provision be made for a retirement allowance for laborers employed by the city of Boston; Severally to the committee on Social Welfare.

Collectors of
taxes.

By Mr. Knox, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 37) of Joseph S. Pike relative to collectors of taxes;
To the committee on Taxation.

Tree wardens.

By Mr. Prescott, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 38) of Arthur E. Seagrave that provision be made for the appointment of tree wardens in towns; and

Town laws, —
commission to
complete
revision and
codification.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 39) of Francis Prescott that provision be made for the immediate appointment of a commission to complete the work of revising and codifying the laws relating to towns;

Severally to the committee on Towns.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Order Adopted.

Joint Rule
No. 1, —
amendment.

On motion of Mr. McLane, —

Ordered, That Joint Rule No. 1 be amended by striking out the words "A Committee on Reconstruction" and inserting them after the words "A Committee on Railroads"; by striking out the words "A Committee on Towns" and inserting them after the words "A Committee on Taxation"; and by striking out the words "A Committee on Waterways and Terminals" and inserting them after the words "A Committee on Towns".

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Assistant clerk
of the House.

Notice was received from the House that, under authority of section 12 of chapter 3 of the Revised Laws, Mr. Frank E. Bridgman of Boston had been appointed Assistant Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Motor-vehicles,
— registration
by Secretary
of the Com-
monwealth.

House petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 50) of Lewis R. Sullivan that the Secretary of the Commonwealth be given control of the registration of motor-vehicles and the licensing of operators thereof;

State
forests, —
development.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 51) of the Massachusetts Forestry Association relative to the development and extension of State forests;

Fire Preven-
tion Commis-
sioner, —
jurisdiction.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 52) of Alfred Davenport that the jurisdiction of the Fire Prevention Commissioner

for the metropolitan district be extended to all the cities and towns of the Commonwealth;

Severally to the committee on Administration and Commissions.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 53) of Fred J. Burrell relative to the tenure of office of the city clerk of the city of Medford; and

Medford city clerk, — tenure of office.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 54) of Timothy J. Driscoll that the city of Boston be authorized to pension Thomas J. Downey;

Boston, — pension for Thomas J. Downey.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 55) of William A. Knowlton and others for an amendment of the Constitution to restore annual State elections; and

Constitutional amendment, — annual State elections.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 56) of Louis Edwin Flye for an amendment of the Constitution empowering the General Court to define classes of property for purposes of taxation and to tax such classes of property at different rates;

Constitutional amendment, — taxation of property.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 57) of the president of Radcliffe College and others that said institution be granted additional power to take and hold property;

Radcliffe College, — additional property.

To the committee on Education.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 58) of Fred J. Burrell relative to primary elections in the city of Medford; and

Medford, — primary elections.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 59) of Benjamin C. Lane that it be made a duty for all qualified voters to vote at primaries and elections;

Primaries and elections, — compulsory voting.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 60) of Thomas A. Niland relative to the recovery of money paid by the Boston Elevated Railway Company in opposing the entrance into Boston of the lines of the Boston and Worcester Street Railway Company;

Boston Elevated Railway Company, — use of certain money.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 61) of Thomas A. Niland for an investigation of the payment of money by the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company to The Boston Herald Corporation for the purpose of influencing legislation; and

New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company, — use of certain money.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 62) of Wendell P. Murray relative to proof of agency in actions to recover damages for injuries or death;

Injury or death, — recovery of damages.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 19) of Thomas A. Niland for the establishment of a minimum wage for scrubwomen;

Scrubwomen, — minimum wage.

To the committee on Labor.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 63) of Benjamin C. Lane that persons liable for service on juries be exempt from duty at certain times;

Jury service, — exemptions.

Public service corporations, — trustees or receivers.

Lord's Day, — amateur sports.

Certain legal holidays, — observance on Monday.

War veterans, — hawkers' and pedlers' licenses.

Drug stores open all night.

Home for Aged Colored Women, — additional property.

War veterans, — public memorial.

War veterans, — testimonials and records.

War veterans, — historical works.

Armories, — sounding-boards.

State Guard, — retention of uniforms.

Haverhill, — compensation of State Guard for service during an epidemic.

Brookline, — food conservation.

Chelsea, — indebtedness for bridges.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 64) of Benjamin C. Lane that stockholders may cause public service corporations to be placed in the hands of trustees or receivers;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 65) of John Mitchell that the playing of amateur baseball and other games on the Lord's Day be permitted; and

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 66) of William Cushing Wait that certain holidays be observed on Monday of the week in which they occur;

Severally to the committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 67) of M. A. O'Brien, Jr., relative to granting to veterans of the European war special licenses as hawkers and pedlers;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 68) of Thomas A. Niland that in each city and town at least one drug store having a public telephone shall be kept open throughout the night; and

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 69) of Joseph P. Loud, president, and another that the Home for Aged Colored Women be authorized to hold additional real and personal property;

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 70) of M. A. O'Brien, Jr., for the appointment of a committee to consider the question of erecting a public memorial to the soldiers and sailors who fought in the European war;

Petition (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 71 and 72) of M. A. O'Brien, Jr., for the appointment of commissioners to prepare testimonials for and to publish a record of Massachusetts soldiers and sailors who served in the European war;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 73) of Jesse F. Stevens for the purchase by the Commonwealth of historical works relative to the service of Massachusetts volunteers in the European war;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 74) of Fred P. Greenwood that sounding-boards be placed in the armories of the Commonwealth;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 75) of Charles Symonds relative to the mustering out of the State Guard and to authorizing them to retain their uniforms; and

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 76) of Charles F. Glover and others that the city of Haverhill be authorized to pay a sum of money to certain members of the State Guard who performed duty at Camp Kenosha in said city during the influenza epidemic in the fall of 1918;

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 77) of the selectmen of Brookline that said town be authorized to appropriate money for food conservation; and

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 78) of Edward E. Willard that the city of Chelsea be authorized to incur indebted-

ness for its portion of the cost of work done on bridges between said city and the city of Boston;

Severally to the committee on Municipal Finance.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 79) of Samuel V. Crane and another for a survey by the State Department of Health as to the feasibility and best method of cleansing a portion of the bed of the Blackstone River; Blackstone River, — purification.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 80) of the selectmen of the town of Millbury and others for the removal of offensive sewage of the city of Worcester from the Blackstone River;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 81) of the selectmen of the town of Millbury and others for the dredging and deepening of the channel of the Blackstone River; Blackstone river, — dredging and deepening.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 82) of Thomas A. Niland relative to increasing the penalty for the unlawful sale or giving of narcotic drugs to children; Narcotic drugs, — giving to children.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 83) of Coleman E. Kelly that first-aid articles and medicines be kept in drug stores for use in cases of accident; Drug stores, — first-aid articles and medicines.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 84) of Roland D. Sawyer that provision be made for public nurses in small towns; Small towns, — public nurses.

and
Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 85) of the county commissioners of the county of Middlesex for an extension of the time within which certain counties are required to provide hospital care for consumptives; Counties, — hospital care for consumptives.

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 86) of Timothy J. Driscoll that weighers of coal be appointed and paid by the cities and towns in which they act; Weighers of coal, — appointment and payment.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 87) of Edward F. Thompson that the office of superintendent of public buildings in the city of Fall River be placed under civil service; and Fall River superintendent of public buildings, — civil service.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 88) of Thomas A. Niland that employees of the board of election commissioners of the city of Boston be placed under the civil service laws; Employees of Boston election commissioners, — civil service.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 89) of Coleman E. Kelly for the establishment of a State home and school for crippled and disabled soldiers and sailors; Disabled war veterans, — state home and school.

To the committee on Reconstruction.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 90) of Joseph E. Freeling relative to the retirement of janitors of public school buildings in certain cities and towns; and Janitors of school buildings, — retirement.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 91) of John Mitchell relative to the pensioning of laborers in the employ of cities and towns; Municipal laborers, — pensions.

Severally to the committee on Social Welfare.

Railroad and
street railway
cars, —
ventilation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 92) of M. A. O'Brien, Jr., for an investigation of the subject of the ventilation of railroad and street railway cars;

To the committee on Street Railways.

Soldiers and
sailors, —
poll-taxes.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 94) of John Mitchell relative to the payment of poll-taxes by persons in the military and naval service of the United States; and

Taxes and tax
sales of real
estate.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 95) of Frederic C. Nichols relative to the payment of taxes and to sales of real estate for non-payment thereof;

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Incorporation
and division
of towns.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 97) of Albert P. Wadleigh relative to the incorporation of new towns and to procedure for the division of existing towns;

To the committee on Towns.

Annual State
budget, —
date of
submission.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 98) of Edwin T. McKnight and Joseph E. Warner that the time be extended for submitting the annual budget to the General Court;

To the joint committee on Ways and Means.

The following House order was adopted, in concurrence: —

Special Recess
Commission
on Workmen's
Compensation,
— report.

Ordered, That the time within which the General Court will receive the report of the Special Recess Commission on Workmen's Compensation, appointed under an order of the General Court of 1918, be extended to Wednesday, February 5, in the current year.

The following House order was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Street Railways, to wit: —

Street railway
companies, —
investigation
by Public
Service Com-
mission.

Ordered, That the Public Service Commission survey the street railway situation of the Commonwealth, and report as soon as practicable the amount of the deficiency in the revenue of the said street railways, the amount of taxes and other public charges paid by them, and what, if any, part of the deficiency should be met by remission of taxes and other public charges and by appropriations of money, coupled with public control, by the localities and the Commonwealth in order to keep necessary transportation facilities in operation. The commission is also requested to report such other recommendations as to it seem proper in the premises.

On motion of Mr. Colburn, at twenty-eight minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, January 8, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report.

A Report of the special commission to investigate the water resources of the Commonwealth, — was laid before the Senate; and, on motions of Mr. Beck, it was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Water resources of the Commonwealth, — John J. McCormick, — report of special commission.

Petitions and Resolution.

Petitions and a resolution were presented and referred as follows: —

By Mr. Counihan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 40) of Edward A. Counihan, Jr., that the city of Cambridge be authorized to retire and pension John J. McCormick; and

Cambridge, — John J. McCormick.

By Mr. Curran, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 41) of George E. Curran that the city of Boston be authorized to pension Thomas Francis Fay;

Boston, — Thomas Francis Fay.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Mahoney, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 42) of John J. Mahoney relative to the duties of school physicians;

School physicians.

To the committee on Education.

By Mr. Nichols, a Resolution in favor of Armenian independence (Senate, No. 43);

Armenian independence.

To the committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Curran, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 44) of George E. Curran that the sale of firearms be regulated; and

Firearms.

By Mr. Kearney, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 45) of John J. Kearney relative to the licensing of innholders and common victuallers;

Innholders and common victuallers.

Severally to the committee on Legal Affairs.

By Mr. Mahoney, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 46) of John J. Mahoney that the office of public defender be established in the municipal courts of the city of Boston;

Boston, — public defender in municipal courts.

To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Curran, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 47) of George E. Curran that a public fish market and pier be established at or near Warren Bridge in the city of Boston;

Boston, — public fish market at Warren Bridge.

To the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Soldiers and
sailors, —
honor roll.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 48) of George E. Curran that provision be made for an honor roll, or other suitable memorial, of Massachusetts men who died in the war with Germany;

To the committee on Military Affairs.

Vaccination.

By Mr. Knox, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 49) of the Medical Liberty League, Inc., that the compulsory vaccination law be repealed;

To the committee on Public Health.

Boston, —
clerical assist-
ance in Rox-
bury municipal
court.

By Mr. Curran, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 50) of George E. Curran that the clerk of the municipal court in the Roxbury district of the city of Boston be authorized to employ clerical assistance; and

Suffolk
County, — cler-
ical assistance
for register of
probate.

By Mr. Mahoney, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 51) of Arthur W. Dolan that the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Suffolk be authorized to employ clerical assistance;

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Boston Ele-
vated Railway
Company;
West End
Street Railway
Company, —
State owner-
ship.

By Mr. Walsh, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 52) of the Germantown Citizens Association that provision be made for State ownership and control of the Boston Elevated Railway Company and the West End Street Railway Company; and

Boston Ele-
vated Railway
Company, —
five cent fare.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 54) of John J. Walsh that the maximum rate of fare charged by the Boston Elevated Railway Company be five cents and that any deficiency in revenue be paid by the Commonwealth;

Severally to the committees on Street Railways and Metropolitan Affairs, sitting jointly.

Income from
intangibles, —
taxation.

By Mr. Gifford, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 53) of Charles L. Gifford for an increase in the rate of taxation on income derived from certain intangibles;

To the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Orders.

Mr. Mahoney offered the following order; and, under the rule, it was referred to the committee on Rules, to wit: —

Boston
Elevated Rail-
way Company;
West End
Street Railway
Company, —
stockholders.

Ordered, That the Public Service Commission furnish to the Senate on or before the thirty-first day of January, nineteen hundred and nineteen, correct lists containing the names and addresses of the stockholders of the Boston Elevated Railway Company, and of the West End Street Railway Company, and the number of shares held by each stockholder, and also correct lists of the bondholders of said companies, with their addresses and holdings, in so far as they can be ascertained by the commission.

Mr. Perrin offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —

Ordered, That the Public Service Commission be requested to make a survey of the street railway situation, and report to the present General Court, not later than February tenth, the amount of deficiency in revenue and the amount of taxes and other public charges paid.

Street rail-
ways, — in-
vestigation as
to deficiency
in revenue and
of taxes and
other public
charges.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain, —

Ordered, That the General Court will receive the report of the special commission to investigate the educational systems of the Commonwealth, established by chapter eighty-eight of the Resolves of nineteen hundred and eighteen, if submitted not later than the twenty-second day of January, nineteen hundred and nineteen.

Educational
systems, —
report of
joint special
commission
to investigate.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

The following bills and resolve, taken from the House files, were referred, in concurrence: —

Bill relative to an open season for the hunting of ruffed grouse, woodcock, quail, gray squirrels, hares and rabbits (House, No. 142);

Ruffed grouse,
woodcock,
quail, gray
squirrels, hares
and rabbits.

To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Bill to authorize the Metropolitan Park Commission to complete the improvement of the sanitary condition of the Aberjona River in the town of Winchester (House, No. 143); and

Aberjona River
in Winchester,
— purification.

Resolve directing the Metropolitan Park Commission to improve Hillcrest Parkway in the town of Winchester (House, No. 144);

Hillcrest
Parkway in
Winchester, —
improvement.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

A Bill to establish the salary of the messenger in the department of the Auditor of the Commonwealth (House, No. 103, introduced on leave), — was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.

Auditor of the
Common-
wealth, —
salary of
messenger.

The annual summary of the work of the Bureau of Statistics (House, No. 49), — was read and placed on file.

Bureau of
Statistics.

The following annual reports were referred, in concurrence: —

Annual report of the Commissioners of the Massachusetts School Fund (House, No. 1);

Massachusetts
School Fund.

To the committee on Education.

Annual report of the Commissioners of the Millicent Library Corporation Fund (House, No. 2);

Millicent
Library
Corporation
Fund.

To the committee on State House and Libraries.

Annual report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General on the investment and condition of the Land Registration Assurance Fund (House, No. 3);

Land
Registration
Assurance
Fund.

To the joint committee on Ways and Means.

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 139) of Clinton Q. Richmond and another that the Berkshire Street Railway Com-

Berkshire
Street
Railway

Company, —
sale of
electricity.

pany be authorized to sell electricity for domestic, industrial and other purposes (having been deposited in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, under the provisions of section 7 of chapter 3 of the Revised Laws), — was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Lighting.

New Bedford,
— parents of
Charles
Kwiatkowski.

House petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —
Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 104) of Andrew P. Doyle and others that the city of New Bedford be authorized to pay a sum of money to the parents of the late Charles Kwiatkowski;

Boston, —
Harriet L.
Blanchard.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 105) of Harriet L. Blanchard that the city of Boston be authorized to pay to her a sum of money in compensation for certain injuries; and

Boston, —
pension for
John Collins.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 106) of John A. Kelleher and another that the city of Boston be authorized to pay an annual pension to John Collins;

Severally to the committee on Cities.

New Bedford
harbor, —
harbor line.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 109) of John Duff for a change in a portion of the harbor line in New Bedford harbor;

To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Poor debtor
law, —
actions.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 110) of Charles W. Gould for an amendment of the poor debtor law relative to the court in which action should be brought;

Industrial
accidents,
— death
benefits.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 111) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor that death benefits be paid to parents in case a deceased employee leaves no other dependents;

Industrial
accidents, —
maximum
weekly com-
pensation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 112) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor that the maximum weekly compensation payable to injured employees be increased from fourteen to eighteen dollars; and

Court
procedure, —
investigation.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 113) of Thomas A. Niland for the appointment of a commission to investigate and report remedies for the alleged inequality of rich and poor in the criminal courts;

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Bakeries, —
hours of em-
ployment.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 114) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor that the hours of employment of bakery workers be regulated; and

Hotels,
restaurants,
stables and
garages, — one
day in seven.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 115) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for one day's rest in seven for employees of hotels, restaurants, stables and garages;

Severally to the committee on Labor.

Jurors, —
compensation
and mileage.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 116) of Thomas W. Baxter and others for an increase in the compensation and mileage of jurors;

Personal
property, —
conditional
sales.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 117) of Charles W. Gould relative to conditional sales of personal property;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 118) of Martin Hays that the day of the State election be made a legal holiday; State election day, — legal holiday.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 119) of Martin Hays relative to restricting the practice of professions by aliens; Aliens, — practice of professions.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 120) of Edward A. Scigliano that the sale of firearms be further regulated; and Sale of firearms, — regulation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 121) of B. L. Young for the regulation and control of employment agencies and the regulation of employment; Employment agencies, — control.

Severally to the committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 122) of Thomas A. Niland relative to rental charges for real estate; and Real estate, — rental charges.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 123) of the Universal Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts relative to providing for interchange of telephone service; Interchange telephone service.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 124) of Martin Hays relative to the indebtedness and finances of the city of Boston; Boston, — indebtedness and finances.

To the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 125 and 126) of B. L. Young relative to the accounting systems of cities and towns and to the auditing of municipal accounts; Municipal accounting and auditing.

To the committee on Municipal Finance.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 127) of Harry B. Kollock and others that mileage be included in the necessary expenses of certain special district police officers; Special district police officers, — mileage.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 128) of Frank Lewis that the salary of the Fire Prevention Commissioner for the Metropolitan District be established; Fire Prevention Commissioner, — salary.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 129) of Warren C. Daggett that the salary of the chaplain of the State Prison be established; State Prison, — salary of chaplain.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 130) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor that certain employees of the Commonwealth or of any commission thereof be granted not less than two weeks' vacation in each year without loss of pay; State employees, — two weeks' vacation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 131) of Lloyd Makepeace for the establishment of the salaries of the clerks and the assistant clerks of the municipal court of the city of Boston for civil and criminal business; and Boston municipal court, — salaries of clerks.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 132) of the mayor of the city of Quincy that the civil service laws be made applicable to the office of city clerk of said city; Quincy city clerk, — civil service.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 133) of the selectmen of North Brookfield and another for the construction and improvement of the highway from said town to New Braintree; and North Brookfield and New Braintree, — highway improvement.

Milford,
Hopkinton and
Southborough,
— highway
improvement.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 145) of Wilbur A. Wood relative to the improvement of the highway leading from Milford to Southborough through Hopkinton;
Severally to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Boston sewer
inspectors, —
retirement.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 134) of Michael J. Dagle and another that sewer inspectors in the city of Boston be included in the provisions of the laborers' pension act; and

Judiciary, —
abolition of
pensions.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 135) of Edward A. Perrin and others for the abolition of all civil pensions now paid members of the judiciary;

Severally to the committee on Social Welfare.

Stockbridge
Library As-
sociation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 136) of Edward B. Owen and others for the incorporation of the Stockbridge Library Association;

To the committee on State House and Libraries.

Carriers of
passengers and
freight, —
licenses.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 93) of Walter L. Libby and others relative to the licensing of motor-vehicles, trackless trolleys, street railways and common carriers of passengers and freight;

To the committee on Street Railways.

Natick, —
Annie M.
Sproule.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 138) of Annie M. Sproule that the town of Natick be authorized to pay to her a sum of money;

To the committee on Towns.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

Mr. Beck offered the following resolutions, to wit: —

Resolutions on the Death of Theodore Roosevelt.

Theodore
Roosevelt.

Resolved, That the Massachusetts Senate gives expression to the convictions of the people of the Commonwealth in declaring that Theodore Roosevelt embodied in his masterful personality the qualities of heart and mind that they have always cherished and revered; that his great career is the proud heritage of every loyal American, whether native or alien born; that they are prouder to be Americans because he was an American; and that the voice and example of no other citizen of the Nation was more potent in producing and sustaining that unity of purpose and action that enabled America to make so decisive a contribution to the preservation of human liberty. Massachusetts is proud that he and all his soldier sons were educated at one of her institutions of learning, that so many of his most devoted friendships were founded here, and that her laws and institutions were so often the theme of his generous approval.

Resolved, That these resolutions be placed upon the records of the Senate and that a copy hereof be sent by the Secretary

of the Commonwealth, with the sympathy of the Senate, to his widow and family.

The rules were suspended, on motions of Mr. Beck, and the resolutions (Senate, No. 55) were considered forthwith.

After remarks by Messrs Beck, Churchill and Walsh, the resolutions were unanimously adopted, by a rising vote.



On motion of Mr. Mahoney, at fourteen minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, January 9, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report.

Sheep industry and agriculture, — report of special commission.

A Report of the special commission on the sheep industry, agriculture and related matters, — was laid before the Senate; and, on motions of Mr. Beck, it was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Petitions and Resolutions.

Petitions and resolutions were presented and referred as follows: —

Fire departments, — day and night forces.

By Mr. Brown, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 56) of the Massachusetts Permanent Firemen's Association for a division of members of fire departments into day and night forces;

To the committee on Cities.

Holyoke, — nomination papers.

By Mr. Cronin, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 57) of John F. Sheehan and others relative to nomination papers in the city of Holyoke;

To the committee on Election Laws.

Income tax on manufacturers employing women and minors in excess of eight hours daily.

By Mr. Halliwell, Resolutions in favor of the prohibitive Federal taxation of the income of manufacturers employing women or minors in excess of eight hours daily (Senate, No. 58);

To the committee on Federal Relations.

Employers, — records of employees.

By Mr. Kearney, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 59) of John J. Kearney that employers to whom the Workmen's Compensation Act is applicable shall keep certain records of their employees;

Municipal storekeepers and foremen.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 60) of M. F. O'Brien, president of the Federation of State, City and Town Employees' Unions, that the provisions of the Workmen's Compensation Act be extended to storekeepers and foremen employed by cities and towns; and

Motor-vehicles, — liens.

By Mr. McIntosh, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 61) of the Garage Association of Metropolitan Boston relative to liens upon motor-vehicles;

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Leather.

By Mr. Nason, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 62) of Fred M. Knight and another for legislation to regulate the sale of leather;

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

By Mr. Hobbs, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 63) of Joseph W. Hannan and others that military organizations of children in the public schools be permitted to use armories for drilling purposes;

Armories. —
use by military
organizations
of children in
public schools.

To the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Counihan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 64) of Frederick S. Deitrick and others for changes in the civil service laws;

Civil service
laws, —
changes.

By Mr. Perrin, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 65) of James D. Henderson that the salary of the Tax Commissioner and Commissioner of Corporations be established;

Tax Com-
missioner, —
salary.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 66) of James D. Henderson that the salary of the Treasurer and Receiver-General be established;

Treasurer and
Receiver-Gen-
eral, — salary.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 67) of James D. Henderson that the salary of the Auditor of the Commonwealth be established;

Auditor of the
Common-
wealth, —
salary.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 68) of James D. Henderson that the salary of the Bank Commissioner be established;

Bank Com-
missioner, —
salary.

By Mr. Weston, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 69) of Frederick M. Esty that the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Middlesex may be allowed an additional amount for clerical assistance from the treasury of the county of Middlesex; and

Middlesex
County, —
clerical assist-
ance for register
of probate and
insolvency.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 70) of Frederick M. Esty that the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Middlesex be allowed from the treasury of the Commonwealth an additional amount for clerical assistance;

Id.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

By Mr. Hobbs, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 71) of Arthur C. Comins relative to the hours of labor of women and minors;

Women and
minors, —
hours of labor.

To the committee on Social Welfare.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Orders Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Beck, —

Ordered, That the Senate meet on Friday, January 10, at 11 o'clock A.M.

Senate, — hour
of meeting
Friday,
January 10.

On motion of the same Senator, —

Ordered, That there be no meeting of the Senate on Saturday of each week.

Senate, — no
session on
Saturdays.

Additional Members appointed on Certain Joint Committees.

The President appointed the Senator from Essex, Mr. Callahan, to serve on the committee on Reconstruction; the Senator from Suffolk, Mr. Winchester, to serve on the committee on Towns; and the Senator from Suffolk, Mr. Foley, to serve on the committee on Waterways and Terminals.

Certain joint
committees, —
appointment
of additional
members.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

State
Normal
School at
Framingham,
— improve-
ments.

So much of the recommendations of the Board of Education (see House, No. 161 of 1918) as relates to building and furnishing a dormitory and to certain other improvements at the State Normal School at Framingham (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 178) (taken from the House files), — was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Education.

The following bills and resolve, taken from the House files, were referred, in concurrence: —

Purgatory
Chasm
State
Reservation.

Bill to establish the Purgatory Chasm State Reservation in the county of Worcester (House, No. 179);

To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Hubbardston
and Rutland,
— highway
improvement.

Bill to provide for the further improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a highway in the towns of Hubbardston and Rutland (House, No. 181);

To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Senate and
House
chambers and
committee-
rooms, —
ventilation.

Bill authorizing the Sergeant-at-Arms to improve the ventilation of the Senate Chamber, the Chamber of the House of Representatives and the various committee-rooms in the State House (House, No. 182); and

State House
grounds, —
completion.

Resolve providing for the completion of the State House grounds (House, No. 183);

Severally to the committee on State House and Libraries.

The following bills, introduced on leave, were referred, in concurrence: —

State
employees, —
retirement
system.

Bill relative to the retirement system for the employees of the Commonwealth (House, No. 146); and

State House,
chief
engineer, —
salary.

Bill to establish the salary of the chief engineer at the State House (House, No. 147);

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

The following petitions, having been deposited in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, under the provisions of section 7 of chapter 3 of the Revised Laws, — were referred, in concurrence: —

Westport, —
town of
Acoaxet.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 140) of Philip M. Wheeler and others that certain territory be set off from the town of Westport and incorporated as the town of Acoaxet; and

Salisbury, —
town of
Salisbury
Beach.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 141) of Michael Cashman and another that certain territory be set off from the town of Salisbury and incorporated as the town of Salisbury Beach;

Severally to the committee on Towns.

Suffolk
County, —
aid for
agriculture.

House petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 148) of James J. Storrow for the appointment in the county of Suffolk of trustees for county aid for agriculture; and

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 177) of Paul W. Mount Grace, Goldsbury for the establishment of Mount Grace in the town of State forest, Warwick as a State forest;

Severally to the committee on Agriculture.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 149) of the mayor of the city of Woburn that said city be authorized to acquire and operate the Horn Pond Branch Railroad; Woburn, — Horn Pond Branch Railroad.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 150) of Thomas A. Niland relative to the disposal of the stalls in Faneuil Hall and Quincy markets in the city of Boston; and Boston, — disposal of market stalls.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 151) of Alfred S. Hall, mayor, that the city of Revere be authorized to pay an annuity to the widow of Clarence F. Borden; Revere, — widow of Clarence F. Borden.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 152) of the county commissioners of the county of Bristol that said county be authorized to retire and pension John H. Pollock; Bristol County, — pension for John H. Pollock.

To the committee on Counties.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 107) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for the establishment, within the metropolitan district of Boston, of a State University; State University.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 153) of Frederic C. Nichols relative to the acquisition by the Commonwealth of land for the State Normal School at Fitchburg; and State Normal School at Fitchburg, — land.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 154) of Seth K. Humphrey and another for further provision for the education of illiterate adults; Illiterate adults, — education.

Severally to the committee on Education.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 108) of Warren C. Daggett and another relative to providing for biennial elections in the city of Somerville; Somerville, — biennial elections.

To the committee on Election Laws.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 155) of Henry B. Kimball for an appropriation by the Commonwealth for the propagation of lobsters in Massachusetts Bay; Lobsters, — propagation.

To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 156) of W. F. McQuillen and others for a change in the corporate name of the Massachusetts Mutual Automobile Insurance Company; Massachusetts Mutual Automobile Insurance Company.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 157) of Charles B. Jopp and others for a change in the corporate name of the Contractors Mutual Liability Insurance Company; and Contractors Mutual Liability Insurance Company.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 158) of Andrew P. Doyle that the trustees of the New Bedford Textile School be authorized to insure their school buildings and property; New Bedford Textile School, — insurance of property.

Severally to the committee on Insurance.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 159) of James M. Rosenthal relative to the recovery of money paid under protest; Money paid under protest, — recovery.

Real estate
sold for
taxes, —
liens.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 160) of Arthur S. Davis and another relative to the lien of a city or town on real estate sold for taxes; and

Land sold
for taxes, —
redemption.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 161) of Arthur S. Davis and another relative to the redemption of land taken or sold for non-payment of taxes;

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

"Extraordi-
nary emer-
gency".

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 162) of Frank F. Morse for an amendment of the eight-hour law, so called, limiting the meaning of the words "extraordinary emergency";

To the committee on Labor.

Furniture
movers, —
filing of in-
formation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 180) of Fred P. Greenwood that movers of furniture or household goods be required to file certain information with city and town clerks;

To the committee on Legal Affairs.

Allan C.
Morrison, —
reimburse-
ment.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 164) of Emil K. Steele that Allan C. Morrison be reimbursed for certain expenses incurred on account of injuries received by him in the discharge of military duties;

To the committee on Military Affairs.

Medford, —
indebtedness
for highway
improvement.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 165) of the city solicitor of the city of Medford that said city be authorized to incur additional indebtedness for highway and street purposes;

To the committee on Municipal Finance.

Boards of
health, —
authority.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 166) of Louis R. Lipp relative to the authority of boards of health in cases of diseases dangerous to the public health;

To the committee on Public Health.

Prisoners, —
transfer.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 167) of Michael F. Malone relative to the transfer of prisoners from penal institutions;

To the committee on Public Institutions.

State
Retirement
Association, —
metropolitan
employees.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 168) of Hugh F. Freeman that certain employees of the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board and of the Metropolitan Park Commission be excused from making further contributions to the State Retirement Association;

State House
watchmen, —
salaries.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 169) of Thomas F. Foster and others for an increase in the salaries of the watchmen and assistant watchmen at the State House;

Hampden
County
register
of probate, —
assistance.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 170) of Frank G. Hodskins and another relative to clerical assistance for the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Hampden; and

Supervisor
of Adminis-
tration, —
report on
State and
county
employees.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 171) of Thomas W. White relative to an extension of time for the report of the Supervisor of Administration relative to the compensation and working conditions of the officials and employees of the Commonwealth and the several counties thereof;

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 173) of Michael F. Malone for an amendment of the law relative to the working hours of women and children; Women and children, — working hours.

To the committee on Social Welfare.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 137) of Charles Whipple Smith relative to the public control of certain street railways; Street railways, — public control.

To the committee on Street Railways.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 96) of Leland Powers relative to taxation of domestic business and foreign corporations; Corporations, — taxation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 174) of John O. Hamilton that the compensation of assessors be established; and Assessors, — compensation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 184) of Alonzo B. Cook relative to the inspection by the Auditor of the Commonwealth of certain income tax returns; Income tax returns, — inspection by the Auditor.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 176) of the selectmen of Stockbridge that said town be authorized to exchange a parcel of its school lands for a like parcel adjacent thereto; Stockbridge, — exchange of land.

To the committee on Towns.

On motion of Mr. Curtin, at twenty-one minutes past two o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

FRIDAY, January 10, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions.

The following petitions were presented and referred:—

Phillips
Academy.

By Mr. Churchill, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 72) of Alfred L. Ripley that the trustees of Phillips Academy be authorized to hold additional property;

To the committee on Education.

Westfield
Camping Club.

By Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 73) of S. S. Connor and others that the Westfield Camping Club be reimbursed for the construction of a fish screen;

To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Adin Millard
Cunstance.

By Mr. Cavanagh, a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 74) of George C. F. Hudson and another that a sum of money be paid to Adin Millard Cunstance, who was permanently injured while in the employ of the Massachusetts Highway Commission;

Workmen's
Compensation
Act, — addi-
tional guaran-
tees.

By Mr. Hobbs, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 75) of Frank F. Dresser that provision be made for additional methods of guaranteeing compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Act;

Workmen's
Compensation
Act, — expense
of burial.

By Mr. Kearney, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 76) of John J. Kearney that the amount payable for the expense of burial, under the Workmen's Compensation Act, be established;

Injured em-
ployees, —
medical service;
artificial limbs
and appurte-
nances.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 77) of John J. Kearney relative to medical services for injured employees and to their equipment with artificial limbs and appurtenances;

Injured em-
ployees, — time
of incapacita-
tion.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 78) of John J. Kearney relative to the time of incapacitation for which injured employees shall be entitled to compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Act;

Employees, —
additional
compensation
for specified
injuries.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 79) of John J. Kearney that provision be made for additional compensation payable for specified injuries under the Workmen's Compensation Act; and

Boundaries, —
determination
of disputes.

By Mr. Weston, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 80) of Philip Nichols that jurisdiction in equity be given to the Supreme Judicial Court to determine disputed boundaries between counties, cities, towns and districts;

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Kearney, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 81) of John J. Kearney relative to days of employment in hotels and restaurants;

Hotels and restaurants, — days of employment.

To the committee on Labor.

By Mr. Churchill, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 82) of Francis N. Thompson and others for legislation fixing the time and place for holding probate court in the county of Franklin; and

Franklin County, — probate court.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 83) of John C. Lee and others that additional clerical assistance be provided for the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Franklin;

Franklin County, — clerical assistance for register of probate and insolvency.

Severally to the committee on Legal Affairs.

By Mr. Knox, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 84) of Elmer S. Stack and others relative to range boilers and appliances attached thereto;

Range boilers.

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

By Mr. Prescott, a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 85) of Francis Prescott that Thomas O. Long be compensated for the loss of an arm while in the service of the Commonwealth;

Thomas O. Long.

To the committee on Public Institutions.

By Mr. Mahoney, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 86) of John J. Mahoney for legislation to establish the price of gas that may be charged by the Charlestown Gas Company;

Charlestown Gas Company.

To the committee on Public Lighting.

By Mr. Beck, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 87) of Timothy W. Kelly and others for a definition and extension of the term "veteran" as used in the civil service laws and regulations; and

"Veteran", — definition and extension of term.

By Mr. Nichols, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 88) of Charles W. M. Williams that the salary of the justice of the Boston Juvenile Court be established;

Boston Juvenile Court, — salary of justice.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

By Mr. Colburn, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 89) of Edwin H. Conant relative to the sounding of whistles of locomotives approaching grade crossings; and

Grade crossings, — sounding of locomotive whistles.

By Mr. Hobbs, a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 90) of J. H. Hustis and Woodward Hudson, temporary receiver and president of the Boston and Maine Railroad, that said railroad be compensated for an overpayment to the Commonwealth for land granted by license of the Harbor and Land Commissioners in 1889;

Boston and Maine Railroad, — overpayment for certain land.

Severally to the committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Cavanagh, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 91) of Edna Lawrence Spencer that provision be made for maternity benefits and for the creation of a Maternity Board;

Maternity Board.

To the committee on Social Welfare.

Domestic business corporations, — excise tax.

Foreign corporations, — excise tax.

Income tax, — distribution.

By Mr. Gifford, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 92) of Charles L. Gifford that an excise tax be imposed upon the franchises of domestic business corporations;

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 93) of Charles L. Gifford that an excise tax be imposed upon foreign corporations; and

By Mr. Weston, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 94) of Philip Nichols that provision be made for a permanent method for the distribution of the income tax;

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Order.

Mr. McIntosh offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —

Pilgrim Highway.

Ordered, That the Massachusetts Highway Commission be requested to prepare an estimate of the cost of constructing that portion of the proposed Pilgrim Highway, so designated in plans on file with the Pilgrim Tercentenary Commission running from Atlantic to the Fore River bridge, and to accompany said estimate with such recommendations as may seem advisable, reporting to the current session of the General Court not later than the fifteenth day of April, nineteen hundred and nineteen.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Appropriations, — emergency war expenses.

A Bill making appropriations for sundry emergency expenses on account of the present war and the epidemic of influenza (House, No. 318), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Subsequently, Mr. Gifford, for the committee, reported that the bill ought to pass; and it was read a second time and a third time, under a suspension of the rules, moved by the same Senator, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was also suspended, on further motion of Mr. Gifford.

Commissioners on the general laws, — expenditures.

A Resolve providing for the current expenses of the commissioners appointed to consolidate and arrange the general laws (House, No. 99), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Gay Head, — State reservation.

A special report of the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands (under chapter 76 of the Resolves of 1916) relative to acquiring land in the town of Gay Head for a State reservation (see House, No. 1643 of 1917) (taken from the House files), — was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Massachusetts Hospital School.

Recommendations of the trustees of the Massachusetts Hospital School (House, No. 222 of 1918) (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 230 of the current year) (taken from the House files), — were referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Institutions.

The following resolve and bills, taken from the House files, were referred, in concurrence: —

Resolve to provide for the purchase of land for normal school purposes in the city of Fitchburg (House, No. 227);

State Normal School at Fitchburg, — land.

To the committee on Education.

Bill to provide for the construction and improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a highway in the towns of Holland and Brimfield (House, No. 231); and

Holland and Brimfield, — highway improvement.

Bill to provide for the construction and maintenance of a State highway in the town of Williamstown (House, No. 232);

Williamstown, — State highway.

Severally to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

A House petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 163) of Thomas A. Niland relative to an audit of the accounts of the Boston Elevated Railway Company, — came up, referred to the committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Street Railways, sitting jointly.

Boston Elevated Railway Company, — audit of accounts.

On motion of Mr. Perrin, the petition was referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Street Railways.

Sent down for concurrence.

House petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 186) of Leo S. Hamburger for the establishment of a Massachusetts Food Commission;

Massachusetts Food Commission.

To the committee on Administration and Commissions.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 187) of the mayor and city solicitor of the city of Brockton that said city be authorized to create trustees for Melrose Cemetery in said city;

Brockton, — city trustees for Melrose Cemetery.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 188) of James W. Hayes relative to the election of city clerks in certain cities; and

Certain city clerks, — election.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 189) of William F. Hutchinson that he be reinstated in the police department of the city of Boston;

Boston police department, — William F. Hutchinson.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 190) of Robert T. Fowler relative to the sale of certain stamps by registers of deeds;

Registers of deeds, — sale of stamps.

To the committee on Counties.

Petition (accompanied by resolutions, House, No. 191) of Victor Francis Jewett for the passage of resolutions in favor of an amendment of the Federal Constitution regulating the hours of labor;

Federal Constitution, — uniform hours of labor.

To the committee on Federal Relations.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 192) of George H. Garfield relative to the length of lobsters that may be sold or had in possession;

Lobsters, — legal length.

To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 193) of Thomas A. Niland that fire insurance companies be required to pay certain

Fire insurance companies, — relief of injured firemen.

sums of money for the relief of firemen or their families in case of injury or death; and

Mutual fire insurance companies, — kinds of business.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 194) of Charles F. Bowers and another relative to the kinds of business that may be transacted by mutual fire insurance companies;

Severally to the committee on Insurance.

Industrial accidents, — commencement of compensation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 195) of Edward F. Harrington relative to the time at which compensation for injuries to workmen shall begin to run;

To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Dangerous weapons.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 196) of Thomas H. Green relative to the sale and carrying of dangerous weapons;

To the committee on Legal Affairs.

South Congregational Society and Church of Springfield.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 197) of William C. Taylor and others that the South Congregational Society of Springfield be dissolved and that all its rights and powers be given to and exercised by the South Congregational Church of Springfield;

United Marble Companies.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 198) of Perley R. Eaton and others that the corporation known as the United Marble Companies be revived;

Sale of coal, — quality.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 199) of Fred P. Greenwood relative to regulating the quality of coal sold in the Commonwealth; and

Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 201) of William Sumner Appleton that the Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities be authorized to hold additional property; Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Woburn Parkway, — completion.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 202) of Fred. J. Brown for the completion by the Metropolitan Park Commission of the Woburn Parkway;

Reading, — metropolitan sewer connection.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 203) of Fred. J. Brown for the construction of an extension of the north metropolitan sewer to the town of Reading;

Boston election commissioners, — reorganization.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 204) of Martin Hays for a reorganization of the board of election commissioners of the city of Boston;

Boston, — mayor, city council, etc.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 205) of Martin Hays relative to the term of office and time of election of certain officers of the city of Boston;

Boston, — election of city council.
West Roxbury Parkway, — construction.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 206) of James J. Moynihan relative to the election of the city council of Boston;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 207) of Benjamin C. Lane that the Metropolitan Park Commission be authorized to construct the West Roxbury Parkway in the city of Boston;

Melrose and Saugus, — metropolitan boulevard.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 208) of Harry C. Woodill relative to the construction of a boulevard from Melrose to Saugus; and

Dedham Parkway, — completion.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 228) of John A. Hirsch that the Metropolitan Park Commission be authorized to complete the Dedham Parkway;

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 209) of the selectmen of Norwood and others that said town be authorized to pay Norwood Hospital for the care of certain persons;
To the committee on Municipal Finance.

Norwood, —
support of
Norwood
Hospital.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 210) of James H. Brennan relative to an investigation of the disease known as the Spanish influenza;
To the committee on Public Health.

Spanish influ-
enza, —
investigation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 211) of George H. Garfield relative to the establishment by the Commission on Mental Diseases of a hospital for certain voluntary mental patients; and

Hospital for
voluntary
mental
patients.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 212) of William A. Bellamy for the payment of a sum of money by the Commonwealth to John Lucascuvski for injuries received while he was an inmate of the Lyman School for Boys;

John
Lucascuvski,
— compensa-
tion for
injuries.

Severally to the committee on Public Institutions.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 172) of the County Treasurers Association that county treasurers may be allowed such clerical assistance and at such compensation as may be approved by the county commissioners of the several counties;

County
treasurers, —
assistance and
compensation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 213) of George E. Marchand and others that the salaries of the agents of the Massachusetts Bureau of Prisons be established;

Massachusetts
Bureau of
Prisons, —
salaries of
agents.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 214) of Michael J. O'Donnell relative to the salary of the Deputy Fire Prevention Commissioner for the metropolitan district;

Deputy Fire
Prevention
Commissioner,
— salary.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 215) of Arthur W. Dolan that the salary of the register of probate and insolvency of the county of Suffolk be established; and

Suffolk County
register of
probate, —
salary.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 216) of Martin Hays that the employees of the election department of the city of Boston be placed under civil service;

Boston election
department
employees, —
civil service.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 175) of Frank E. Jeanette relative to certain exemptions from taxation for veterans of the Indian wars;

Veterans of
the Indian
wars, — tax
exemptions.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 218) of Howard A. Cook and another that the period be shortened within which outgoing collectors of taxes in small towns shall be required to deposit their accounts and papers; and

Collectors of
taxes in small
towns, —
accounts.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 219) of the assessors of the town of Sharon that assessors in towns shall be appointed by the Tax Commissioner and paid by the Commonwealth;

Assessors, —
appointment
by the Tax
Commissioner.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 220) of the Treasurer and Receiver-General relative to the rate of interest on bonds issued for the completion of certain improvements by the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board;

Certain State
bonds, — rate
of interest.

Certain State
bonds,—rate
of interest.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 221) of the Treasurer and Receiver-General relative to the rate of interest on bonds issued to provide further for the protection of the public health in the valley of the Neponset River;

Id.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 222) of the Treasurer and Receiver-General relative to the rate of interest on bonds issued to provide an additional water supply for the towns of Watertown and Belmont; and

Id.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 223) of the Treasurer and Receiver-General relative to the rate of interest on certain State securities to be issued during the current year;

Severally to the joint committee on Ways and Means.

Bill Enacted.

Bill enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

An engrossed Bill making appropriations for sundry emergency expenses on account of the present war and the epidemic of influenza (which originated in the House), — was passed to be enacted and was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

On motion of Mr. Mahoney, at twenty-one minutes before one o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, January 13, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report.

A Report of the Attorney-General as to whether the operation of certain laws of the Commonwealth tends to the creating of monopolies, — was laid before the Senate; and, on motions of Mr. Beck, it was laid upon the table and ordered to be printed.

Attorney-General, —
monopolies.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Beck, the message from the Governor transmitting a list of pardons granted during the year 1918 (Senate, No. 2), — was taken from the table; and it was referred to the committee on Public Institutions.

Message from
Governor, —
list of pardons.

Sent down for concurrence.

Petitions and Resolutions.

Petitions and resolutions (having been deposited in the office of the Clerk priorly to 5 o'clock in the afternoon of Saturday, January 11) were severally presented and referred as follows: —

By Mr. Foley, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 95) of James J. Casey that the public works department of the city of Boston be authorized to reemploy him without further civil service examination;

Boston, —
reemployment
of James J.
Casey.

To the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Prescott, a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 96) of Francis Prescott for amendment of the Constitution further exempting acts and resolves from referendum provisions, and for perfecting and elucidating the provisions relating to the Initiative and Referendum;

Constitutional
amendment, —
exemption from
referendum
provisions.

To the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Foley, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 97) of William J. Foley that the county of Suffolk be authorized to pension Timothy R. Sullivan;

Suffolk
County, —
Timothy R.
Sullivan.

To the committee on Counties.

By Mr. Curran, Resolutions in favor of Irish independence (Senate, No. 98);

Irish inde-
pendence.

To the committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Counihan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 99) of John F. Daly for the regulating of expert testimony in judicial proceedings;

Expert
testimony.

Plymouth and Norfolk counties, — district attorneys and probation officers.

Personal property, — attachment.

Grand jury.

Merchants, — protection against minors.

Manufacturing and mercantile establishments, — days of employment.

Jurors, — compensation and mileage.

Id.

Furniture movers, — information relative to removals.

Corporations, — change of purposes.

Business corporations, — representation of employees on boards of directors.

Slot-machines.

Land for homestead purposes.

Quincy, — memorial structure.

By Mr. Dahlborg, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 100) of Charles Carroll King and others that the office of district attorney, assistant district attorney and probation officer be established in each of the counties of Plymouth and Norfolk;

By Mr. Loring, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 101) of Augustus P. Loring relative to regulating the attachment of certain kinds of personal property;

By Mr. Nichols, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 102) of Joseph C. Pelletier for an amendment of the law regarding the grand jury; and

By Mr. Weston, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 103) of George N. Holden that provision be made to protect merchants and others from liability in dealings with minors who falsely represent themselves to be of legal age;

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Kearney, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 104) of John J. Kearney relative to regulating the days of employment in certain manufacturing and mercantile establishments; To the committee on Labor.

By Mr. Counihan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 105) of Nathan A. Tufts that the compensation and mileage of jurors be established;

By Mr. Nason, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 106) of Arthur L. Nason and Fred M. Knight that the compensation and mileage of jurors be established; and

By Mr. Nichols, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 107) of Frank Ferdinand, Inc., and others that furniture movers be required to furnish information relative to removals;

Severally to the committee on Legal Affairs.

By Mr. Hobbs, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 108) of Willis E. Sibley relative to the vote by which certain corporations may change the purposes for which they were incorporated;

By Mr. Loring, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 109) of Augustus P. Loring that business corporations be authorized to provide for representation of their employees on the board of directors; and

By Mr. Nason, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 110) of Arthur L. Nason for regulating the installation and maintenance of slot-machines and other automatic vending devices;

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

By Mr. Kearney, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 111) of Charles J. Hodsdon, for the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor, that cities and towns be authorized to grant land for homestead purposes in times of war, public exigency, emergency or distress; and

By Mr. McIntosh, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 112) of David S. McIntosh and another that the city of Quincy be authorized to incur indebtedness for the erection of a

memorial structure commemorating the services of Quincy soldiers and sailors in the war with Germany;

Severally to the committee on Municipal Finance.

By Mr. Prescott, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 114) of Francis Prescott for changes in the law relative to the construction by counties of hospitals for tuberculosis patients;

County hospitals for tuberculosis patients.

To the committee on Public Health.

By Mr. Reed, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 113) of Charles E. Manley, for the Taunton Central Labor Union, that the municipal lighting plant of the city of Taunton be placed under the management and control of an unpaid commission of three citizens, with further authority to manufacture, sell and distribute heat, power and light outside of said city; and

Taunton, — municipal lighting plant.

By Mr. Reed, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 115) of the Taunton Chamber of Commerce and another that the municipal lighting plant of the city of Taunton be placed under the management and control of a commission of three citizens of said city;

Severally to the committee on Public Lighting.

By Mr. Eames, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 116) of Henry J. Winslow that the salaries of assistant registers of probate and insolvency be established;

Assistant registers of probate and insolvency, — salaries.

By Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 117) of William G. Bassett and others for a temporary increase in the compensation of clerks in the office of the several registers of probate;

Registers of probate, — salaries of clerks.

By Mr. Mahoney, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 118) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to the removal, suspension or reduction of persons in the classified service;

Classified service, — removals, suspensions and reductions.

By Mr. Reed, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 119) of Silas D. Reed that the benefit of the civil service be accorded to the present matron of the police department of the city of Taunton without reappointment or reexamination; and

Taunton, — matron of police department.

By Mr. Walsh, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 120) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor, by Charles J. Hodsdon, for the appointment of additional inspectors of the State Board of Labor and Industries;

State Board of Labor and Industries, — additional inspectors.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

By Mr. Reed, a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 121) of Silas D. Reed that the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company be required to resume certain evening passenger service between the city of Boston and the cities of Taunton, New Bedford and Fall River, and for legislation relative to any other railroad within the Commonwealth;

New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company, — evening passenger service to certain cities.

To the committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Kearney, Resolution urging employers to reinstate their soldier employees (Senate, No. 122);

Soldier employees, — reinstatement.

To the committee on Reconstruction.

Belchertown
and Amherst,
— highway.

By Mr. Churchill, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 123) of George B. Churchill for the improvement of the highway between the towns of Belchertown and Amherst;

Goshen and
Ashfield, —
State highway.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 124) of George B. Churchill for the construction of a State aided highway between the towns of Goshen and Ashfield;

Middlefield, —
highway be-
tween Chester
and Worthing-
ton.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 125) of George B. Churchill for the improvement of the highway in the town of Middlefield leading from the town of Chester to the town of Worthington;

Dracut and
Methuen, —
Black North
Route.

By Mr. Colburn, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 126) of Arthur W. Colburn that further provision be made with reference to the State highway in the town of Dracut and the city of Methuen, known as the Black North Route; and

Mendon, —
highway.

By Mr. Prescott, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 127) of Francis Prescott for the improvement or construction of a highway in the town of Mendon;

Severally to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Women and
children, —
working hours.

By Mr. Callahan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 128) of Edward Callahan for further regulation of the working hours of women and children;

Metropolitan
Park Com-
mission;
Metropolitan
Water and
Sewerage
Board, —
employees.
Homesteads, —
preference
based on war
service.

By Mr. McIntosh, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 129) of Dennis A. Purtle and another relative to the employees of the Metropolitan Park Commission and of the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board; and

By Mr. Sullivan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 130) of Peter F. Sullivan that preference based on war service be established in the assignment of homesteads and land by the Homestead Commission;

Severally to the committee on Social Welfare.

Amherst, —
free public
library.

By Mr. Churchill, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 131) of George Cutler, Jr., and others that they may be incorporated as a free public library in the town of Amherst;

To the committee on State House and Libraries.

Incomes, —
additional
taxes.

By Mr. Mahoney, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 132) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, to impose additional taxes on certain incomes; and

Additional
legacy and
succession tax,
— distribu-
tion.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 133) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to the distribution of the additional legacy and succession tax;

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

State House, —
widow of
Robert J.
Glavin.

By Mr. Foley, a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 134) of Daniel J. Chapman that an annuity be paid to the widow of Robert J. Glavin, late an elevator man in the State House;

To the joint committee on Ways and Means.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Notice was received from the House of the following changes in and appointments to committees, on the part of the House: —

That Mr. Woodill of Melrose had been excused, at his own request, from serving on the committee on Election Laws, and that Mr. Briggs of Plymouth had been appointed to fill the vacancy; Joint committees, — changes.

That Mr. Niland of Boston had been excused, at his own request, from serving on the committee on Constitutional Amendments;

That Mr. Meyers of Cambridge had been appointed to membership on the committee on Mercantile Affairs;

That Mr. Costello of Boston had been appointed to membership on the committee on Metropolitan Affairs;

That Mr. Bradbury of Winthrop had been excused, at his own request, from serving on the committee on Municipal Finance, and that Mr. Bradbury of Lawrence had been appointed to fill the vacancy;

That Mr. Marsh of Springfield had been excused, at his own request, from serving on the committee on Public Service, and that Mr. Newhall of Stoneham had been appointed to fill the vacancy; and

That Messrs. Bradbury of Lawrence and Greenwood of Everett had been excused, at their own request, from serving on the committee on Railroads, and that Messrs. Bradbury of Winthrop and Cook of Worcester had been appointed to fill the vacancies; also

Of the following committee appointments, on the part of the House, to fill positions created by the amendment of Joint Rule No. 1: —

Messrs. Austin of Somerville, Cook of New Bedford and Gillen of Boston, to membership on the committee on Reconstruction; Additional appointments on joint committees.

Messrs. Haynes of Scituate, Taylor of Lexington and Lamoureux of Southbridge, to membership on the committee on Towns; and

Messrs. Greenwood of Everett, Marsh of Springfield and McKinney of Boston, to membership on the committee on Waterways and Terminals.

So much of the report of the Attorney-General for the year ending January 16, 1918 (Pub. Doc. No. 12) as relates to withdrawing from the College of Physicians and Surgeons the power to grant degrees (taken from the House files), — was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Education. College of Physicians and Surgeons.

The following bills, taken from the House files, were referred, in concurrence: —

Bill to authorize the appointment by the Sergeant-at-Arms of an assistant clerk of the legislative document division (House, No. 310); Legislative document division, — assistant clerk.

To the committee on Public Service.

Wakefield and
Saugus, —
highway im-
provement.

Bill to authorize the Massachusetts Highway Commission to improve certain roads in the towns of Wakefield and Saugus (House, No. 311);

To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

The following bills, introduced on leave, were referred, in concurrence: —

Thomas F.
Pedrick, —
salary.

Bill to establish the salary of Thomas F. Pedrick, Sergeant-at-Arms (House, No. 240);

Adelbert M.
Mossman, —
salary.

Bill to establish the salary of Adelbert M. Mossman, first clerk in the Sergeant-at-Arms' department (House, No. 241);

Ellen Mudge
Burrill, —
salary.

Bill to establish the salary of Ellen Mudge Burrill, cashier and executive secretary to the Sergeant-at-Arms (House, No. 242);

Assistant en-
gineers, etc., —
salaries.

Bill to establish the salaries of the assistant engineers, firemen and helpers employed in the Sergeant-at-Arms' department at the State House (House, No. 243); and

State House
matron, —
salary.

Bill to establish the salary of the matron in the Sergeant-at-Arms' department at the State House (House, No. 244);

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Board of
Education, —
recommendations.

Recommendations of the Board of Education relative to petitions of the Emerson College of Oratory and the Trustees of the Portia School of Law for authority to grant certain degrees (House, No. 224), were referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Education.

Petitions received from the Board of Education (having been deposited in the office of said board as required by the provisions of chapter 56 of the Acts of 1914) were referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Education, to wit: —

Emerson
College of
Oratory.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 225) of Henry Lawrence Southwick and others that the Emerson College of Oratory be authorized to grant the degree of bachelor of letters; and

Portia Law
School.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 226) of Arthur W. MacLean and others for the incorporation of the Portia Law School with authority to grant degrees.

House petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

Theodore Wein,
— compensation
for injuries.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 245) of Wilfrid Wheeler that Theodore Wein of Boston be compensated for injury received while employed by the State Department of Agriculture;

To the committee on Agriculture.

Savings banks,
— investments
in mortgages.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 246) of The Dorchester Board of Trade relative to the investment by savings banks in mortgages on real estate; and

Savings banks,
— election of
trustees and
officers.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 247) of The Dorchester Board of Trade that trustees and officers of savings banks shall be elected by depositors;

Severally to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Lawrence, —
finance
commission.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 248) of Richard Ward and others for the appointment of a finance commission for the city of Lawrence; and

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 249) of Charles A. King and others relative to the salaries of members of the police and fire departments of the city of Beverly;
Severally to the committee on Cities.

Beverly. — salaries of policemen and firemen.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 250) of Burton Payne Gray for an amendment of the law relative to the Trustees of Andover Theological Seminary;

Trustees of Andover Theological Seminary.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 251) of the superintendent of schools of the city of Holyoke and others for the compulsory attendance at certain schools of illiterate persons; and

Illiterate persons, — school attendance.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 315) of George A. Nourse relative to the payment of a sum of money to the town of Saugus to assist the town in maintaining its public schools;

Saugus, — State aid for public schools.

Severally to the committee on Education.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 252) of Roland D. Sawyer relative to the direct primary law, so called;

Direct primary law.

To the committee on Election Laws.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 253) of George H. Garfield relative to the taking of scallops in the town of Dennis;

Dennis, — taking of scallops.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 254) of John O. Hamilton for the construction of a barn at the Palmer fish hatchery; and

Palmer fish hatchery, — barn.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 255) of Frank Mulveny that a bounty be provided for the killing of foxes;

Killing of foxes, — bounty.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 256) of Carl C. Emery for the appointment of a commission to report on the taking over of certain beaches in the county of Essex;

Essex County beaches, — public control.

To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 257) of Joseph A. Desaulniers relative to the execution of ejectment proceedings;

Ejectment proceedings.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 258) of William S. Conroy relative to the payment of burial expenses under the Workmen's Compensation Act; and

Industrial accidents, — burial expenses.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 259) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for the establishment of a State insurance fund and for compulsory participation in the workmen's compensation law by employers;

Industrial accidents, — State insurance fund.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 262) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for the regulation of the hours of labor of certain employees in paper mills operating day and night;

Paper mills, — hours of labor.

To the committee on Labor.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 264) of The Dorchester Board of Trade for regulation of the purchase and sale of second-hand motor-vehicles and parts thereof;

Second-hand motor-vehicles.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 265) of The Dorchester Board of Trade that movers of furniture make certain returns to city and town clerks;

Furniture movers, — returns.

Boston, —
hackney
stands.

Petition (accompanied by Bill, House, No. 266) of The Dorchester Board of Trade relative to the establishment and regulation of hackney and automobile stands in the city of Boston; and

Liquor
licenses, —
issuance.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 267) of The Dorchester Board of Trade for further regulation of the issuance of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors;

Severally to the committee on Legal Affairs.

Public tele-
phones, —
listing.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 268) of Edward J. Cox relative to the listing and publication of public telephones by the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company;

Workshops
and factories,
— opaque
glass.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 269) of Michael H. Jordan, relative to the use of opaque glass in workshops and factories;

Boston, — gas
and electric
meters.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 270) of The Dorchester Board of Trade for the standardization of gas and electric meters in the city of Boston; and

Sealers of
weights and
measures, —
fees.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 271) of the president of the Massachusetts Association of Sealers of Weights and Measures relative to the fees of sealers of weights and measures;

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Beacon Street
in Winthrop, —
public control.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 272) of Charles D. Bradbury for the taking over and maintenance by the Metropolitan Park Commission of Beacon Street in the town of Winthrop;

Estate of
Joseph
Hanreddy.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 273) of Ira H. Ellis and others for the payment of a sum of money by the Commonwealth to the estate of the late Joseph Hanreddy;

Boston, —
installation
of water-
meters.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 274) of The Dorchester Board of Trade for an extension of the time within which certain water-meters shall be installed by the city of Boston; and

Stoneham and
Wakefield, —
metropolitan
parkway.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 275) of Arthur N. Newhall relative to the construction by the Metropolitan Park Commission of a parkway in the towns of Stoneham and Wakefield;

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Hampshire
County, —
tuberculosis
hospital.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 276) of Oliver W. Cobb relative to authorizing the county of Hampshire to aid tuberculous persons;

Foods and
drugs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 277) of Stoughton Bell for an amendment of the law regulating the manufacture and sale of foods and drugs;

Temporary
medical
examiners.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 278) of John R. Nelson for the appointment of temporary medical examiners; and

Street railway
transportation
during epi-
demics.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 279) of John L. Donovan relative to the transportation of passengers by street railway companies during certain epidemics;

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Thomas Riley,
— injury by
livestock.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 280) of Roland D. Sawyer for compensation for Thomas Riley of Belchertown

for injury to his property by livestock owned by the Commonwealth;

To the committee on Public Institutions.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 281) of The Dorchester Board of Trade relative to the price and quality of illuminating gas in the city of Boston; and

Boston, —
price of gas.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 282) of Francis P. McKeon that increases in the price of gas and electricity shall not be made unless approved by the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners;

Gas and electricity, —
increases
in price.

Severally to the committee on Public Lighting.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 283) of Samuel M. Child and others that the salary of the first assistant register of deeds for the county of Suffolk be increased;

Suffolk County
first assistant
register of
deeds, —
salary.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 284) of John A. Anderson that the salary of the officer in attendance on the municipal court of the Dorchester district of the city of Boston be established;

Dorchester
court, — salary
of court officer.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 285) of William C. Moore and another that the salaries of the court officers of the municipal court of the Roxbury district of the city of Boston be increased;

Roxbury
court, — salaries
of court officers.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 286) of John E. Ferguson that the compensation of the porters at the State House be increased;

State House
porters, —
compensation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 287) of Richard B. McSweeney relative to the salary of the parole clerk at the Massachusetts Reformatory;

Massachusetts
Reformatory,
— salary of
parole clerk.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 288) of Eugene Stevens that the salaries of turnkeys and watchmen at the State Prison and Massachusetts Reformatory be established; and

State Prison
and Massachusetts
Reformatory,
— salaries
of turnkeys and
watchmen.
Id.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 289) of Eugene Stevens that the salaries of the turnkeys and watchmen of the State Prison and Massachusetts Reformatory be regulated;

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 217) of Frederick S. Deitrick and others relative to the employment by the Commonwealth of crippled and blind persons; and

Crippled and
blind persons,
— State em-
ployment.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 290) of Wilfrid Wheeler relative to the improvement of waste lands and to provide farm lands for persons who have served in the armed forces of the United States;

Soldiers and
sailors, —
farm lands.

Severally to the committee on Reconstruction.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 291) of Morrill S. Ryder that all commercial motor cars and trucks be required to be equipped with mirrors or reflectors;

Commercial
motor-vehicles,
— mirrors or
reflectors.

To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 292) of Owen E. Brennen that the status of certain employees of the police department of the city of Lowell be defined;

Lowell police
department, —
status of
employees.

Non-contributory old age pensions.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 294) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for the establishment of a system of non-contributory old age pensions;

Old age annuities.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 295) of Patrick J. Guerin for the establishment of a State system of old age annuities;

Sufferers from epidemic, — public aid.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 296) of Edward F. Harrington for an appropriation for the assistance of families who have suffered from influenza; and

Boston municipal court, — medical service.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 297) of Wilfred Bolster and another for an extension of the medical service in connection with the criminal business of the municipal court of the city of Boston;

Severally to the committee on Social Welfare.

Street railway cars, — capacity.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 298) of John L. Donovan relative to the transportation of passengers by street railway companies;

To the committee on Street Railways.

Corporation tax, — distribution.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 299) of Cornelius Boothman relative to the distribution of the domestic corporation franchise tax;

Id.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 300) of Cornelius Boothman relative to the distribution of the corporate franchise taxes of domestic business corporations;

Literary and scientific institutions, — taxation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 301) of Julius Meyers relative to the taxation of the property of literary and scientific institutions;

Educational institutions, — taxation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 302) of Julius Meyers relative to the payment by the Commonwealth of certain taxes on educational institutions;

Certain corporations, — taxation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 303) of James J. Moynihan relative to the taxation of certain corporations;

Widows and charitable institutions, — taxation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 304) of Arthur N. Newhall relative to the exemption from taxation of the property of widows and other persons and of charitable and other institutions; and

Savings banks, — taxation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 305) of Roland D. Sawyer relative to the taxation of the income of savings banks and institutions for savings;

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

On motion of Mr. Loring, at twenty-six minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, January 14, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions.

Petitions (having been deposited in the office of the Clerk priorly to 5 o'clock in the afternoon of Saturday, January 11) were severally presented and referred as follows:—

By Mr. McLane, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 135) of Thomas F. Higgins that the salaries of the members of the board of police for the city of Fall River be established; and

Fall River, —
salaries of
board of
police.

By Mr. Reed, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 136) of Louis Swig that authority for the appointment of a local superintendent for the suppression of gypsy and brown tail moths be vested in the park commissioners of the city of Taunton;

Taunton, —
local super-
intendent for
suppression of
gypsy and
brown tail
moths.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 137) of the Westfield Atheneum and the town solicitor of Westfield for an amendment of the charter of said corporation;

Westfield
Atheneum.

By Mr. Knox, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 138) of the Massachusetts Teachers' Federation that provision be made for the membership of teachers on the Board of Education and to increase the membership of said board;

Board of
Education, —
teachers as
members.

By Mr. Perrin, a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 139) of Harold L. Perrin relative to the introduction of educational work into State hospitals; and

State hospitals,
— educational
work.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 140) of Harold L. Perrin relative to State-aided vocational education;

State-aided
vocational
education.

Severally to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Hobbs, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 141) of Clarence W. Hobbs, Jr., for such legislation as may be necessary to render the provisions of the election and other laws consistent with the recently adopted constitutional amendment providing for biennial elections;

Biennial elec-
tions, — revi-
sion of laws.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 142) of Robert J. Bottomly relative to the time for filing nomination papers for certain candidates for public office; and

Nomination
papers.

By Mr. Nason, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 143) of Arthur L. Nason relative to the term of office and election of district attorneys and other elective officers;

District
attorneys, —
term of office.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

Ralph S. Bauer, — reimbursement for fish screen in Lake Attitash.

By Mr. Jackson, a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 144) of Ralph S. Bauer that he be reimbursed for money expended by him in constructing and maintaining a fish screen in Lake Attitash in the town of Amesbury;

To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Life insurance companies.

By Mr. McLane, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 145) of James D. Henderson for the incorporation and organization of life insurance companies under general laws;

To the committee on Insurance.

Injured employees, — partial incapacity compensation.

By Mr. Kearney, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 146) of John J. Kearney for an increase in the period during which partial incapacity compensation shall be paid under the Workmen's Compensation Act;

Industrial Accident Board, — appeals.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 147) of John J. Kearney that all appeals from decisions of the Industrial Accident Board shall be taken direct to the Supreme Judicial Court;

"Notice of injury."

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 148) of John J. Kearney for amendment of the requirements as to "notice of injury" under the Workmen's Compensation Act;

Indigent defendants charged with felony, — counsel.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 149) of the Massachusetts Prison Association for legislation to provide counsel for indigent defendants charged with felony;

Injured employees, — payment to children living apart from deceased parent.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 150) of John J. Kearney that provision be made for the payment of compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Act to children who are living apart from a deceased parent where such parent is under legal obligation to support such children;

Norfolk County, — Arthur B. Hultman.

By Mr. McIntosh, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 151) of Arthur B. Hultman that the county of Norfolk be authorized to pay the counsel fees of the defendant in the case of D'Addario, Administrator, *versus* Hultman; and

Non-support proceedings, — appeal.

By Mr. Smith, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 152) of John L. Harvey and others relative to the effect of appeal in non-support proceedings;

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Motor-vehicles.

By Mr. McLane, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 153) of David R. Radovsky relative to licensing and regulating the operation of motor-vehicles;

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Metropolitan district, — prevention of fires.

By Mr. Perrin, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 154) of Frank Lewis, Fire Prevention Commissioner, relative to the better prevention of fires throughout the metropolitan district;

To the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Boston, — East Boston ferry service.

By Mr. Kearney, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 155) of John J. Kearney that the city of Boston be authorized to improve and rejuvenate the East Boston ferry service;

To the committee on Municipal Finance.

By Mr. Chamberlain, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 156) of C. Wesley Hale, chairman of the Massachusetts Board of Dental Examiners, relative to the practice of dentistry; and

By Mr. Mahoney, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 157) of Joseph P. Walsh that a hospital be established for the treatment of venereal diseases;

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

By Mr. Beck, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 158) of George Burgess Magrath and another relative to the salaries and expenses of the medical examiners and associate medical examiners for the county of Suffolk;

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 159) of Henry G. Wells for an increase in the salaries of William H. Sanger, as Assistant Clerk of the Senate, and of Frank E. Bridgman, as Assistant Clerk of the House of Representatives;

By Mr. Halliwell, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 160) of John Halliwell relative to the salaries of the members, secretary and medical adviser of the Industrial Accident Board;

By Mr. McLane, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 161) of Arthur J. B. Cartier that the salary of the clerk of the board of police for the city of Fall River be established;

By Mr. Perrin, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 162) of Harold L. Perrin that the salary of the judge of the Probate Court for the county of Norfolk be established;

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 163) of Harry L. Peabody that Frank H. Hardison, Insurance Commissioner, be permitted to continue in the service of the Commonwealth notwithstanding the provisions of the State Retirement Act;

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 164) of Willard J. Hale and others that the salaries of registers of deeds, assistant registers of deeds and assistant recorders of the Land Court be established;

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 165) of Edgar W. Swift relative to the salary of the first assistant clerk of courts for the county of Plymouth; and

By Mr. Churchill, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 167) of George B. Churchill relative to the retirement of certain officials who are about to reach or have reached the age of seventy years;

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

By Mr. Cronin, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 166) of Oscar C. Ferry, for the board of public works of the city of Holyoke, that certain State highways be constructed within said city;

To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Reed, a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate No. 168) of Silas D. Reed for an investigation and alleviation of the

Dentistry.

Venereal diseases, — new hospital.

Suffolk County medical examiners, — salaries and expenses.

Assistant clerks of Senate and House, — salaries.

Industrial Accident Board, — salaries.

Fall River, — clerk of board of police; salary.

Norfolk County, — salary of judge of Probate Court.

Frank H. Hardison, — continuance in office as Insurance Commissioner.

Registers of deeds and assistant registers of Land Court, — salaries.

Plymouth County, — salary of first assistant clerk of courts.

State officials, — retirement.

Holyoke, — State highways.

Street railways, — investigation of present crisis.

present crisis in the financing, management and operation of the street railways;

To the committee on Street Railways.

Taxes, —
assessment.

By Mr. Mahoney, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 169) of Alexander Whiteside relative to the assessment of taxes; and

Assessors, —
hearings on
increase in
valuation of
real estate.

By Mr. Reed, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 170) of Alfred B. Williams that assessors be required to give a hearing on their intention to raise the valuation of real estate; Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Wellesley, —
chief of fire
department.

By Mr. Perrin, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 171) of James J. Manning and others relative to the election of the chief of the fire department in the town of Wellesley; To the committee on Towns.

Dracut Water
Supply
District.

By Mr. Colburn, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 172) of Walter F. Garland and another that the Dracut Water Supply District be authorized to extend its territory; To the committee on Water Supply.
Severally sent down for concurrence.

Bill Ordered Reprinted.

State boards
and commis-
sions, —
reorganization.

On motion of Mr. Hobbs, —
Voted, That there be printed nine hundred additional copies of a Bill to reorganize the executive and administrative offices, boards and commissions of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 3).

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Municipal
appropriations,
— monuments
to war
veterans.

The Senate petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 11) of Francis Prescott that cities and towns may be authorized to appropriate money for erecting suitable monuments in honor of their inhabitants who served in the United States army or navy in time of war (referred by the Senate to the committee on Military Affairs), — came up, referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Municipal Finance.

The Senate receded from its reference, on motion of Mr. Reed, and concurred in the reference to the committee on Municipal Finance.

Drainage of
wet lands.

Annual reports were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —
Second annual report of the State Department of Agriculture and the State Department of Health relative to the drainage of wet lands for agricultural and industrial uses, the protection of the public health, the utilization of deposits therein and for other purposes (House, No. 234); and

State Drainage
Board.

First annual report of the State Drainage Board (House, No. 235);

Severally to the committee on Agriculture.

The following bills, taken from the House files, were referred, in concurrence:—

Bill to provide for the improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a highway in the town of Lunenburg (House, No. 312); and

Lunenburg, —
highway
improvement.

Bill to provide for the construction of a highway from the town of Blandford to the town of Great Barrington (House, No. 313);

Blandford and
Great Barrington, —
highway
construction.

Severally to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Bill to empower the Massachusetts Commission for the Blind to give certain aid to blind persons in business (House, No. 314);

Blind persons
in business, —
State aid.

To the committee on Social Welfare.

A Resolve in favor of Charles H. Chase of Northampton (House, No. 444, introduced on leave), — was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on Ways and Means.

Charles H.
Chase, —
premium on
bonds.

House petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows:—

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 445) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for the appointment of a wage-earner as a member of the Public Service Commission; and

Public Service
Commission,
— wage-
earner.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 446) of Frederic C. Nichols and others for the establishment of a State constabulary and the reorganization of the district police;

District
police, —
State
constabulary.

Severally to the committee on Administration and Commissions.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 447) of James W. Hayes relative to the prevention of the sale of impure milk in the city of Boston;

Boston, —
milk.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 448) of James W. Hayes relative to the sale of milk and to the date of its production;

Milk.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 449) of James W. Hayes relative to the sale of graded milk;

Id.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 450) of James W. Hayes relative to the sale of milk and the age at which it is sold; and

Id.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 451) of Wendell P. Thoré relative to the public control of the production, price and sale of milk;

Id.

Severally to the committees on Agriculture and Public Health, sitting jointly.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 452) of John B. Cashman relative to payment for overtime work to employees of the city of Boston;

Boston, —
payment for
overtime
work.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 453) of John B. Cashman that Thomas J. Fay be reinstated in the fire department of the city of Boston;

Boston fire
department, —
Thomas J.
Fay.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 454) of Daniel C. Murphy that Daniel J. O'Sullivan be reinstated in the public works department of the city of Boston;

Boston public
works de-
partment, —
Daniel J.
O'Sullivan.

Boston fire department, — two-platoon system.

Brockton, — pension for N. Dennis Tribou.

Brockton, — pension for John Flynn.

Brockton, — pension for John McCaffrey.

Everett, — pension for Lindley R. Woods.

Lynn, — pension for Elizabeth E. Rule.

Quincy, — office of mayor.

Quincy, — health commissioner.

Somerville police department, — Patrick H. Ryan.

Springfield, — public landing.

Constitutional amendment, — taxation.

Constitutional amendment, — holding office by aliens.

Emerson College of Oratory.

Gordon Bible College.

Elections, — absent voting.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 455) of Michael J. Reidy for the establishment of the two-platoon system in the fire department of the city of Boston;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 456) of the mayor and city solicitor of the city of Brockton that said city be authorized to pension N. Dennis Tribou;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 457) of the mayor and city solicitor of the city of Brockton that said city be authorized to pension John Flynn;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 458) of the mayor and city solicitor of the city of Brockton that said city be authorized to pension John McCaffrey;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 459) of William E. Weeks and another that the city of Everett be authorized to pension Lindley R. Woods;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 460) of Walter H. Creamer, mayor, and others that the city of Lynn be authorized to retire and pension Elizabeth E. Rule;

Petition (accompanied by bill, Hbuse, No. 461) of the mayor of the city of Quincy relative to filling the office of mayor during the temporary absence or disability of the mayor and to succession to said office in case of vacancy;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 462) of the mayor of the city of Quincy for the abolition of the board of health and inspector of milk of said city and for the creation of a health commissioner;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 463) of Patrick H. Ryan for reinstatement in the reserve force of the police department of the city of Somerville; and

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 464) of Frank A. Farnham for the discontinuance of a public landing in the city of Springfield;

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 465) of Henry D. Nunn for an amendment of the Constitution striking out the requirement that assessments, rates and taxes be proportional; and

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 466) of Michael J. Reidy for an amendment of the Constitution preventing certain aliens from holding offices of honor, trust or profit within the Commonwealth;

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 308) of Harry Seymour Ross and others that the Emerson College of Oratory be authorized to grant certain degrees; and

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 309) of Jason Noble Pierce and others that the Board of Trustees of Gordon Bible College be authorized to grant certain degrees;

Severally to the committee on Education.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 467) of Roland D. Sawyer for an amendment of the law providing for absent voting

by qualified voters in the military or naval service of the United States; and

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 468) of Harry C. Woodill relative to members of ward and town political committees; Political committees, — membership.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 469) of R. W. Crocker relative to the taking of eels and fish from great ponds in the county of Dukes County; Great ponds in Dukes County, — fisheries.

To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 471) of Warren A. Reed and others that the trustees of the General Insurance Guaranty Fund be authorized to set aside a portion of the net profits for the purpose of stabilizing dividends; General Insurance Guaranty Fund, — reserve.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 472) of Warren A. Reed and others relative to the amount of insurance which savings and insurance banks may pay upon the death of an individual; and Savings and insurance banks, — payments.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 473) of Fred S. Elwell relative to the separation of life and investment insurance; Life and investment insurance, — separation.

Severally to the committee on Insurance.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 260) of Roland D. Sawyer that compensation for workmen incapacitated for more than seven days shall begin with the date of the injury; Industrial accidents, — commencement of compensation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 261) of Leland Powers relative to providing security to the public for injuries and damage caused by motor-vehicles; Injuries from motor-vehicles, — protection.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 475) of Martin Hays that gambling in connection with certain sports and contests be prohibited; Sports and contests, — gambling.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 476) of Elisha Greenhood for a limitation of the time within which petitions for assessment of damages sustained by establishing building lines may be brought; Establishment of building lines, — damages.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 477) of Elisha Greenhood relative to assessment of damages sustained by widening of highways, town ways or other ways; Widening of public ways, — damages.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 478) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to the removal of inmates from the Suffolk School for Boys and to the disposal by said city of Rainsford Island and the property of said school; and Suffolk School for Boys; Rainsford Island.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 479) of Charles Symonds and others relative to sessions of the Superior Court at Lynn for naturalization purposes; Lynn, — court sessions for naturalization.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 263) of John D. Hughes and others relative to authorizing cities and towns to prohibit the sale at public auction of jewelry and other articles after five o'clock in the afternoon; Auctions, — jewelry and other articles.

To the committee on Legal Affairs.

Women and
minors, —
hours of labor.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 293) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor relative to the hours of labor of women and minors;

To the committee on Social Welfare.

Neponset
River, — navi-
gable facilities.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 306) of The Dorchester Board of Trade for the improvement by the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands of the navigable facilities of the Neponset River;

To the committee on Waterways and Terminals.

Clarence
Carvill, —
compensation.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 307) of Clarence Carvill for compensation for certain property claimed to have been taken from him by the Commonwealth by mistake; and

Pilgrim
Tercentenary
Commission,
— land and
improvements
in Plymouth.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 317) of Elmer L. Briggs that the Pilgrim Tercentenary Commission be authorized to acquire land and make improvements in the town of Plymouth;

Severally to the joint committee on Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Perrin, at twenty minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, January 15, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions.

Petitions (having been deposited in the office of the Clerk priorly to 5 o'clock in the afternoon of Saturday, January 11) were severally presented and referred as follows:—

By Mr. Cronin, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 173) of John Cronin that the city of Holyoke be authorized to pay a sum of money to the next of kin of Dennis Sullivan;

Holyoke, —
next of kin of
Dennis
Sullivan.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 174) of John Cronin that the city of Holyoke be authorized to pay a sum of money to the widow of Thomas Monahan;

Holyoke, —
widow of
Thomas
Monahan.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 175) of John Cronin that the city of Holyoke be authorized to pay a sum of money to the widow of John Nugent; and

Holyoke, —
widow of John
Nugent.

By Mr. Kearney, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 176) of John J. Kearney that John W. Leahon be reinstated in the public works department of the city of Boston;

Boston, —, re-
instatement of
John W.
Leahon.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Tarbell, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 177) of Edward A. Lamb and others that certain towns be exempted from the provisions of law establishing a minimum salary for public school-teachers;

School-teachers
in towns, —
minimum
salary.

To the committee on Education.

By Mr. Cavanagh, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 178) of James F. Cavanagh for the abolition of party nominations for State and county officers and the use of all party or political designations in the election of such officers; and

Party nomi-
nations and
designations.

By Mr. Loring, a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 179) of Augustus P. Loring that the State Librarian be directed to examine the statutes affecting the election of all elective officers and members of political committees, with certain exceptions, and report legislation making such statutes conform to the amendment providing for biennial elections;

Biennial elec-
tions, — re-
vision of laws
relating to
election of cer-
tain officers.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

By Mr. Churchill, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 180) of George B. Churchill relative to the granting of hunters' and trappers' licenses to minors; and

Minors, —
hunters'
licenses.

By Mr. Colburn, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 181) of Arthur W. Colburn for the construction of fishways on the Merrimack River at Lawrence and Lowell;

Merrimack
River, — fish-
ways at
Lawrence and
Lowell.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Fire insurance
policies, —
standard form.

By Mr. Reed, a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 182) of Louis Swig for a revision of the so-called standard form of fire insurance policy;

To the committee on Insurance.

Prostitution.

By Mr. Beck, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 183) of Joseph P. Walsh for the abatement as nuisances of places where prostitution and like offences are practiced;

Attorney-
General, —
measures for
public safety.

By Mr. Counihan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 184) of Herbert Parker and another that the Attorney-General may be enabled to take measures in the interest of the public safety;

Injured em-
ployees, — fil-
ing of notice
of injury.

By Mr. Halliwell, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 185) of John Halliwell that the Industrial Accident Board be authorized to allow compensation if the notice of injury is filed within one year from the date thereof;

Injured em-
ployees, —
compensation
for partial
incapacity.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 186) of John Halliwell that compensation for partial incapacity be paid at the rate of two-thirds of the difference between old and new earning capacity of an injured employee;

Id.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 187) of John Halliwell that payment of compensation for total incapacity be at the rate of two-thirds of the employee's average weekly wages;

Real estate, —
partition.

By Mr. McLane, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 188) of William A. Morse relative to partition of real estate;

Industrial
Accident
Board, —
appeals.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 189) of Paul L. Keenan for legislation to give speedy effect to decisions of the Industrial Accident Board and to provide for direct appeals therefrom to the Supreme Judicial Court, and that the license of an insurer who fails to comply with the decision of the board shall be suspended;

Motor-vehicles,
— financial ir-
responsibility
of operators.

By Mr. Nason, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 190) of Arthur L. Nason that the public be protected against the financial irresponsibility of operators of motor-vehicles;

Suffolk
County, —
deposits of
money.

By Mr. Nichols, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 191) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to deposits of money in the courts of the county of Suffolk; and

Prisoners, —
labor per-
formed; pen-
alty for escape.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 193) of Samuel H. Capen relative to labor performed by prisoners and to the penalty for the escape of prisoners;

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Jurors, —
compensation.

By Mr. Foley, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 194) of William J. Foley that the compensation of jurors be increased;

To the committee on Legal Affairs.

Soldiers, sailors,
marines and
nurses, — State
and military
aid.

By Mr. Sullivan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 195) of Peter F. Sullivan for an extension of the provisions of existing law relative to State and military aid for soldiers, sailors, marines and nurses who were in the service of the United States in the war with Germany, and for the dependents of such persons;

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 196) of Peter F. Sullivan that provision be made for State aid in the erection by cities and towns of monuments or other memorials commemorating war service; and

War service, — State aid in erection of memorials by cities and towns.

By Mr. Winchester, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 197) of Charles A. Winchester that provision be made for a battalion of infantry and an armory in the Dorchester district of the city of Boston;

Boston, — armory and battalion of infantry in Dorchester.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Beck, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 198) of the Massachusetts Civic League, by Herbert C. Parsons, vice-president, that the jails and houses of correction now maintained by counties be maintained by the Commonwealth; and

Jails and houses of correction, — State control.

By Mr. Sullivan, a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 199) of Emily C. MacKinnon and others that the said MacKinnon be compensated for injuries received from an assault by an insane person, a patient of the Grafton State Hospital;

Grafton State Hospital, — Emily C. MacKinnon.

Severally to the committee on Public Institutions.

By Mr. Churchill, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 200) of George B. Churchill that provision be made for clerical assistance for the registers of probate and insolvency for the counties of Hampshire, Franklin and Barnstable;

Hampshire, Franklin and Barnstable counties, — clerical assistance for registers of probate.

By Mr. Colburn, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 201) of Arthur W. Colburn that the provisions of the civil service laws be extended to local moth superintendents;

Local moth superintendents, —

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 202) of Arthur W. Colburn that provision be made for clerical assistance for the police court of Lowell;

civil service. Police court of Lowell, — clerical assistance.

By Mr. Counihan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 203) of Herbert Parker and another that the salary of the Adjutant-General be established;

Adjutant-General, — salary.

By Mr. Nason, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 204) of Arthur L. Nason that the salaries of the Board of Parole be established;

Board of Parole, — salaries.

By Mr. Nichols, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 205) of Olin M. Jeffords relative to the salaries of sheriffs;

Sheriffs, — salaries.

By Mr. Perrin, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 192) of Frederick G. Katzmman that provision be made for a deputy district attorney for the Southeastern District and for clerical assistance for the district attorney for said district; and

Southeastern district, — deputy district attorney; clerical assistance.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 206) of Harold L. Perrin that the salaries of second assistant clerks of police, district and municipal courts be increased;

Police, district and municipal courts, — salaries of second assistant clerks.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

By Mr. Prescott, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 207) of Warren E. Tarbell and another that provision be made for a State highway in the town of Dudley; and

Dudley, — State highway.

By Mr. Reed, a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 208) of Silas D. Reed that provision be made for completing the State highway in the towns of Norton and Easton;

Norton and Easton, — State highway.

Severally to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Janitors of
public build-
ings, —
pensions.

By Mr. Chamberlain, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 209) of George D. Chamberlain that provision be made for pensions for janitors of schoolhouses and public buildings;

Holyoke, —
pensions for
firemen.

By Mr. Cronin, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 210) of John Cronin that provision be made for pensioning foremen employed by the city of Holyoke;

Blind persons,
— aid.

By Mr. Finkel, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 211) of George W. Jones that the Massachusetts Commission for the Blind be authorized to give certain aid to blind persons; and

Motherless
dependent
children, —
aid.

By Mr. Perrin, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 212) of the selectmen of the town of Wellesley that provision be made for suitably aiding motherless dependent children;

Severally to the committee on Social Welfare.

Veteran fire-
men's associa-
tions, —
exemption
from taxation.
Boston, — taxes.

By Mr. Mahoney, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 213) of John J. Mahoney that the property of veteran firemen's associations be exempted from taxation; and

By Mr. Nichols, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 214) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to taxes in the said city;

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Mystic River,
— improve-
ment.

By Mr. Mahoney, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 215) of Michael F. Donovan that the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands be authorized to improve the Mystic River;

To the committee on Waterways and Terminals.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Order.

Mr. Kearney offered the following order; and, under the rule, it was referred to the committee on Rules, to wit: —

Treasurer and
Receiver-
General, —
disbursements
to men in war
service.

Ordered, That the Treasurer and Receiver-General be requested to report to the Senate as early as practicable the total disbursements to date to Massachusetts residents in the service of the United States under the provisions of chapter 211 of the General Acts of 1917, as extended by chapter 92 of the General Acts of 1918, his estimate of further disbursements required thereunder, and also his estimate, after consultation with the Adjutant-General, of the further cost to the Commonwealth of new legislation continuing payments as therein provided from the date of their discontinuance until the first day of January, 1919.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Supervisor of
Administration, — report
on compensa-
tion of judicial
and county
officers.

A Resolve extending the time within which the Supervisor of Administration may report on the investigation of the compensation and working conditions of the officials and employees of the Commonwealth and in the several counties thereof (House, No. 171, on the petition of Thomas W. White), — was read. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Hastings, and the resolve was read a second time and a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

The Senate petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 83) of John C. Lee and others that additional clerical assistance be provided for the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Franklin (referred by the Senate to the committee on Legal Affairs), — came up, referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.

Franklin County register of probate, — clerical assistance.

The Senate recessed from its reference, on motion of Mr. Perrin, and concurred in the reference to the committee on Public Service.

Recommendations and reports were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

Recommendations of the Bank Commissioner (House, No. 331) (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 332 to 337, inclusive);
To the committee on Banks and Banking.

Bank Commissioner.

Recommendations of the police commissioner for the city of Boston (House, No. 340) (accompanied by bill, House, No. 341);
To the committee on Cities.

Boston, — police commissioner.

Recommendations of the State Examiners of Electricians (House, No. 346) (accompanied by bill, House, No. 347);
To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

State Examiners of Electricians, — destruction of papers.

Recommendations of the licensing board for the city of Boston (House, No. 338) (accompanied by bill, House, No. 339);
To the committee on Legal Affairs.

Boston, — licensing board.

Special report of the Metropolitan Park Commission relative to additional appropriations for completing the reconstruction of the bridge over the Neponset River between the cities of Boston and Quincy, and the approaches thereto (House, No. 237); and

Neponset River, — completion of bridge between Boston and Quincy.

Special report of the Metropolitan Park Commission relative to protecting the banks of the Mystic Lakes in the towns of Arlington and Winchester so as to preserve the attractiveness of the shores, protect the water supply, and secure the public use of said lakes for recreation, fishing and other park purposes (House, No. 238);

Mystic Lakes in Arlington and Winchester, — protection and use.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Recommendations of the Board of Registration in Pharmacy (House, No. 406) (accompanied by bill, House, No. 407);
To the committee on Public Health.

Board of Registration in Pharmacy, — retail druggists.

Recommendations of the Board of Retirement (House, No. 412) (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 413 and 414);
To the committee on Public Service.

Board of Retirement.

Special report of the State Department of Health asking for an extension of time within which to report relative to the taking of water from the Ipswich River (House, No. 239);

Ipswich River, — taking of water.

To the committee on Water Supply.

House petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 474) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for an amendment of the Workmen's Compensation Act regulating

Industrial accidents, — notices and compensation.

the time within which notice of injury shall be made and the time when compensation shall begin;

To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Probate court
decisions, —
appeals.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 480) of George M. Poland and another for a change in the time within which appeals from decisions of the probate court may be entered;

Middlesex
County, —
probate court
sittings.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 481) of George M. Poland and another relative to sittings of the probate court for the county of Middlesex;

Boston, —
hackney
stands.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 483) of the United Improvement Association and another relative to the establishment and regulation of hackney stands in the city of Boston;

Liquor
licenses, —
part of a year.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 484) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to the issuance of liquor licenses for part of a license year; and

Naturalisation
papers, —
duplicates.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 485) of James A. Torrey relative to duplicate naturalization papers;

Severally to the committee on Legal Affairs.

Museum of
Fine Arts, —
additional
property.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 488) of William H. Dunbar that the Museum of Fine Arts be authorized to hold additional real and personal estate;

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Westborough,
— cleaning of
ditches.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 489) of Jeremiah P. Keating for the clearing out by the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board of certain ditches in the town of Westborough;

Reading, —
sewerage
system.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 490) of Frank W. Kaan and others relative to a sewerage system for the town of Reading; and •

Boston, —
municipal
appropriations.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 492) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, to authorize the city of Boston to make appropriations for municipal purposes;

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Fitchburg, —
extension of
water system.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 499) of the mayor of the city of Fitchburg that said city be authorized to incur additional indebtedness for the extension of its water system;

To the committee on Municipal Finance.

Great Barrington and West
Stockbridge,
— boundary
line.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 316) of Edwin F. Barnes and others for the annexation to the town of Great Barrington of a portion of the town of West Stockbridge;

To the committee on Towns.

On motion of Mr. Hardy of Worcester, at twenty-nine minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, January 16, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report of a Committee.

Mr. Beck, for the joint committee on Rules, which was instructed to consider what disposition should be made of the several portions of the Governor's Address (Senate, No. 1), reported recommending that the same be referred as follows:—

So much thereof concerning "Man Power" as relates to the protection of the public health, to the joint committee on Public Health;

So much thereof concerning "Man Power" as relates to the feeble-minded, to the joint committee on Public Institutions;

So much thereof as relates to "State Institutions," to the joint committee on Public Institutions;

So much thereof as relates to "Housing and Working Conditions," to the joint committee on Social Welfare;

So much thereof as relates to "Education," to the joint committee on Education;

So much thereof as relates to "Protection of Recent Arrivals," to the joint committee on Education;

So much thereof as relates to the "Protection of Society," to the joint committee on the Judiciary;

So much thereof as relates to "Military Training," to the joint committee on Military Affairs;

So much thereof as relates to "Material Welfare," to the joint committee on Mercantile Affairs;

So much thereof concerning "Transportation" as relates to railroads, to the joint committee on Railroads;

So much thereof concerning "Transportation" as relates to street railways, to the joint committee on Street Railways;

So much thereof as relates to the "Port of Boston," to the joint committee on Waterways and Terminals;

So much thereof concerning "Returning Soldiers and Sailors" as relates to State military aid and an appropriate service medal or recognition of service, to the joint committee on Military Affairs;

The remainder thereof concerning "Returning Soldiers and Sailors," to the joint committee on Reconstruction;

So much thereof as relates to "Homesteads," to the joint committee on Social Welfare;

So much thereof as relates to "Administration," to the joint committee on Administration and Commissions;

So much thereof as relates to "Agriculture," to the joint committee on Agriculture;

Governor's
Address,—
disposition.

So much thereof as relates to the Pilgrim Tercentenary, to the joint committee on Ways and Means;

So much thereof concerning the "State Guard" as relates to an active or reserve police, to the joint committee on the Judiciary;

The remainder thereof concerning the "State Guard," to the joint committee on Military Affairs.

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the report was considered forthwith and was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Taken from the Table.

State officials
and employees,
— bonds.

On motion of Mr. Beck, the Report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General, the Auditor and the Attorney-General relative to the bonds required by certain officials and employees of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 26), — was taken from the table; and it was referred to the joint committee on Ways and Means.

Sent down for concurrence.

Petitions.

Petitions (having been deposited in the office of the Clerk priorly to 5 o'clock in the afternoon of Saturday, January 11) were severally presented and referred as follows: —

Cambridge, —
term of
contracts.

By Mr. Counihan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 216) of J. Frank O'Brien that the city of Cambridge be authorized to make certain contracts for a longer term than one year;

Cambridge, —
Nellie M.
Carey.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 219) of Edward A. Counihan, Jr., and another that the city of Cambridge be authorized to retire and pension Nellie M. Carey;

Newton, —
Saturday
half-holidays.

By Mr. Kearney, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 217) of A. L. Moriarty that laborers, mechanics and workmen in the city of Newton may have Saturday half-holidays without loss of pay; and

Boston, —
Bernard J.
Kelley.

By Mr. Mahoney, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 218) of John J. Mahoney that the city of Boston be authorized to pension Bernard J. Kelley;

Severally to the committee on Cities.

County notes.

By Mr. Brown, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 220) of David I. Robinson relative to the issue of county notes; To the committee on Counties.

School-com-
mittees, —
secretary.

By Mr. Counihan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 221) of Albert Birch relative to the office of secretary of school-committees;

To the committee on Education.

Fire insurance
business.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 222) of Philip R. Ammidon relative to the rules, rates and regulations of the fire insurance business; and

By Mr. McLane, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 223) of James D. Henderson to extend the time for the organization of the Bay State Life Insurance Company;

Bay State
Life Insurance
Company.

Severally to the committee on Insurance.

By Mr. Beck, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 224) of Herbert C. Parsons relative to granting permits to be at liberty to prisoners in jails and houses of correction;

Prisoners, —
permits to be
at liberty.

By Mr. McLane, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 225) of Frank J. Donahue that conversation between husband and wife shall not be inadmissible in evidence; and

Husbands
and wives, —
admission of
conversations
as evidence.

By Mr. Nichols, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 226) of Henry I. Harriman, president, for an amendment of the charter of the Boston Chamber of Commerce;

Boston
Chamber of
Commerce.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Churchill, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 227) of Herbert J. Kellaway and another for the restriction and regulation of bill-boards and other advertising devices;

Bill-boards.

By Mr. Counihan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 228) of Albert Birch that the records of school-committees and of municipal boards or commissions be made public records and that the inspection thereof be regulated; and

Municipal
boards and
commissions, —
records to be
open to public.

By Mr. Nichols, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 229) of Joseph C. Pelletier relative to the estates of deceased persons;

Deceased
persons, —
estates.

Severally to the committee on Legal Affairs.

By Mr. Curtin, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 230) of Hiram Vrooman that the Co-Workers' Fraternity Company, dissolved by Chapter 157 of the Special Acts of 1917, be continued as a body corporate; and

Co-Workers'
Fraternity
Company.

By Mr. Loring, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 231) of Arthur F. Ray and others relative to the capital stock of business corporations;

Business cor-
porations, —
capital stock.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

By Mr. Mahoney, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 232) of John J. Mahoney that the statutory limit on the rate of taxation in the city of Boston be abolished and that said city be permitted to fix its own tax rate; and

Boston, —
tax rate.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 233) of John J. Mahoney that the limit on the rate of taxation in the city of Boston be abolished and that said city be authorized to borrow money without enabling legislation;

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

By Mr. Tarbell, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 234) of Warren E. Tarbell for a suitable recognition of soldiers and sailors and that they may receive record books, medals or other suitable tokens;

Soldiers and
sailors, —
suitable
recognition.

To the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Halliwell, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 235) of Charles S. Ashley, mayor of the city of New Bedford, that said city be authorized to incur indebtedness for renovating,

New Bedford,
— high school
building.

reconstructing, rebuilding, equipping and furnishing the old high school, so called;

New Bedford,
— schoolhouses.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 236) of Charles S. Ashley, mayor of the city of New Bedford, that said city be authorized to incur additional indebtedness for purchasing land and constructing and furnishing school-houses;

New Bedford,
— municipal
hospital.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 237) of Charles S. Ashley, mayor of the city of New Bedford, that said city be authorized to incur additional indebtedness for erecting and equipping a municipal hospital;

New Bedford,
— sewer con-
struction.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 238) of Charles S. Ashley, mayor of the city of New Bedford, that said city be authorized to incur indebtedness for sewer construction;

Boston, —
additional
station in
Boylston
Street subway.

By Mr. Nichols, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 239) of Clifton Loring relative to the issue of bonds by the city of Boston to provide for the cost of work preliminary to the construction of the additional station in the Boylston Street subway; and

Boston, —
improvements
in North end.

By Mr. Walsh, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 240) of Ralph Adams Cram and John J. Walsh that the city of Boston be authorized to borrow money outside the debt limit for the purpose of making improvements in the north end in accordance with recommendations of the city planning board;

Severally to the committee on Municipal Finance.

State institu-
tions, —
inspection of
food and su-
pervision of
farms.

By Mr. Prescott, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 241) of Francis Prescott for the establishment of a division for the inspection of food for, and the supervision of farms and agricultural enterprises connected with, State institutions;

To the committee on Public Institutions.

Cambridge, —
manufacture
and sale of gas.

By Mr. Counihan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 242) of John F. Daly relative to the manufacture and sale of gas in the city of Cambridge;

To the committee on Public Lighting.

Suffolk
County, —
assistant clerk
of Superior
Criminal
Court.

By Mr. Cavanagh, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 243) of Horace Guild and another for legislation relative to the assistant clerk of the Superior Court for criminal business for the county of Suffolk; and

Suffolk Dis-
trict, — tele-
phone operator
in office of dis-
trict attorney.

By Mr. Nichols, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 244) of Joseph C. Pelletier for legislation regarding the position of telephone operator in the office of the district attorney for the Suffolk District;

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Physically dis-
abled persons,
— higher
education.

By Mr. Kearney, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 245) of John J. Kearney and another that provision be made for the higher education of certain physically disabled persons; and

Soldiers and
sailors, —
educational
memorial.

By Mr. Perrin, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 246) of Harold L. Perrin that provision be made for an educational memorial for the soldiers and sailors of the present war;

Severally to the committee on Reconstruction.

By Mr. Nason, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 247) of Arthur L. Nason for legislation to provide an allowance for clerical and similar expenses for members of the General Court;

General Court, — allowance for clerical expenses for members.

To the joint committee on Rules.

By Mr. Beck, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 248) of Joseph P. Walsh that a reformatory be established for women and girls;

Reformatory for women and girls.

To the committee on Social Welfare.

By Mr. Counihan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 249) of James J. Casey relative to the abatement of taxes;

Taxes, — abatement.

To the committee on Taxation.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 250) of Albert Birch relative to the purchase of supplies, material and machinery by State boards and commissions;

State boards and commissions, — purchase of supplies, etc.

To the joint committee on Ways and Means.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Recommendations were referred, in concurrence, as follows:—

Recommendations of the Bureau of Immigration (House, No. 359):

Bureau of Immigration.

So much as relates to the taking and transmission of deposits by certain persons, partnerships, associations and corporations (accompanied by bill, House, No. 360), to the committee on Banks and Banking; and

Taking and transmission of deposits.

So much as relates to the education of immigrants (accompanied by bill, House, No. 361), to the committee on Social Welfare.

Education of immigrants.

Recommendations of the Tax Commissioner (House, No. 421) (accompanied by bill, House, No. 422);

Tax Commissioner, — dissolution of corporations.

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Recommendations of the Director of the Bureau of Statistics on the statistics of municipal finances (House, No. 419) (accompanied by bill, House, No. 420);

Bureau of Statistics, — municipal finances.

To the committee on Municipal Finance.

Recommendations of The Adjutant-General (House, No. 319):

So much as relates to salaries in the department of The Adjutant-General (accompanied by bill, House, No. 320), to the committee on Public Service; and

The Adjutant-General, — salaries.

So much as relates to allowances to members of the militia for travel duty (accompanied by bill, House, No. 321), to the committee on Military Affairs.

Militia, — allowances for travel duty.

Recommendations of the Civil Service Commission (House, No. 342) (accompanied by bill, House, No. 343); and

Civil Service Commission.

Recommendations of the Board of Free Public Library Commissioners (House, No. 348) (accompanied by bill, House, No. 349);

Free Public Library Commissioners, — work for aliens.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Commissioner
of State Aid
and Pensions.
Expenses, sal-
aries and tem-
porary agents.

Recommendations of the Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions (House, No. 415):

So much as relates to providing for certain expenses in the department of said commissioner, and to increasing the salary of the chief clerk and providing that the temporary agents of the department be made permanent (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 416 and 417), to the committee on Public Service; and

Veterans of
the European
war, — State
aid.

So much as relates to State aid for certain persons honorably discharged from the military or naval service of the United States after service in the European war (accompanied by bill, House, No. 418), to the committee on Military Affairs.

Treasurer and
Receiver-
General.
Fiscal agent
in New York.

Recommendations of the Treasurer and Receiver-General (House, No. 423):

So much as relates to establishing a fiscal agent of the Commonwealth in the city of New York (accompanied by bill, House, No. 424), to the joint committee on Ways and Means; and

Positions and
salaries.

So much as relates to employees in the department of the Treasurer and Receiver-General (accompanied by bill, House, No. 425), to the committee on Public Service.

Commissioner
of Standards.

Recommendations of the Commissioner of Standards (House, No. 441):

Inspectors, —
salaries.

So much as relates to the salaries of the inspection force (accompanied by bill, House, No. 442), to the committee on Public Service; and

Bottles and
measures, —
sealing.

So much as relates to the sealing of bottles, pipettes and other measures (accompanied by bill, House, No. 443), to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Minimum Wage
Commission.

Recommendations of the Minimum Wage Commission (House, No. 399) (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 400, 401 and 402); and

Commission on
Probation.

Recommendations of the Commission on Probation (House, No. 408) (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 409, 410 and 411); Severally to the committee on Social Welfare.

The following bills, taken from the House files, were referred, in concurrence: —

Mohawk Trail
Reservation.

Bill to provide for the establishment of the Mohawk Trail Reservation (House, No. 545);

To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Charles River
in Newton and
Waltham, —
protection.

Bill to authorize the Metropolitan Park Commission to take certain measures for the protection of the public health in and along the Charles River in the cities of Newton and Waltham (House, No. 546);

To the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

House petitions and resolutions were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

State board of
electric light,
heat and
power.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 557) of L. W. E. Kimball and others for the establishment of a State board of electric light, heat and power;

To the committee on Administration and Commissions.

Resolutions urging Congress to provide for an early discharge of men in the military service of the United States (House, No. 1134);

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Federal Relations.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 493) of John L. Donovan relative to the term of office and the recall of the mayor of the city of Boston;

Boston, —
term and
recall of
mayor.

To the committee on Metropolitan Affairs;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 494) of John B. Cashman relative to pensions for certain disabled soldiers and sailors;

Disabled
soldiers and
sailors, —
pensions.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 495) of Frederick S. Deitrick and another relative to soldiers' relief for veterans of the European war; and

Veterans of
the European
war, — relief.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 496) of John M. Gibbs relative to the compensation of employees of the Commonwealth who served during the European war in the military or naval service of the United States;

State em-
ployees in war
service, —
compensation.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 497) of the mayor of the city of Woburn for an amendment of the law authorizing said city to issue additional water bonds; and

Woburn, —
water bonds.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 498) of Jeremiah P. Keating that cities and towns be authorized to erect memorials to soldiers and sailors in the service of the United States in the European war;

Municipal
appropriations,
— war.

Severally to the committee on Municipal Finance.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1135) of the selectmen of Wakefield that said town be authorized to appropriate money for celebrating the return of soldiers and sailors;

Wakefield, —
celebrating
return of
soldiers and
sailors.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Municipal Finance.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 503) of Walter P. Bowers for an amendment of the law relative to the registration of nurses;

Nurses, —
registration.

To the committee on Public Health.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 511) of Fred P. Greenwood relative to time off for laborers who are public employees;

Public labor-
ers, — time off
duty.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 512) of Jeremiah P. Keating for extra allowances for certain State employees; and

State em-
ployees, —
extra allow-
ances.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 513) of Edwin D. Sibley that the salary of the messenger of the court of probate and insolvency for the county of Middlesex be increased;

Middlesex
County probate
court, —
salary of
messenger.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Resolve Passed.

Resolve passed
and laid before
the Governor.

An engrossed Resolve extending the time within which the Supervisor of Administration may report on the investigation of the compensation and working conditions of the officials and employees of the Commonwealth and in the several counties thereof (which originated in the House), — was passed and was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

On motion of Mr. Prescott, at twenty-nine minutes past two o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

FRIDAY, January 17, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Beck, for the committee on Rules, that the Senate Order that the Treasurer and Receiver-General be requested to report to the Senate as early as practicable the total disbursements to date to Massachusetts residents in the service of the United States under the provisions of chapter 211 of the General Acts of 1917, as extended by chapter 92 of the General Acts of 1918, his estimate of further disbursements required thereunder, and also his estimate, after consultation with the Adjutant-General, of the further cost to the Commonwealth of new legislation continuing payments as therein provided from the date of their discontinuance until the first day of January, 1919, — ought to be adopted;

Treasurer and
Receiver-
General, —
disbursements
to men in war
service.

Read, and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator, and adopted.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Beck, the Report of the Attorney-General as to whether the operation of certain laws of the Commonwealth tends to the creating of monopolies (Senate, No. 251), — was taken from the table; and it was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Attorney-
General, —
monopolies.

Sent down for concurrence.

Change in Committee.

The President announced that the Senator from Berkshire, Mr. Hastings, had been excused, at his own request, from serving on the committee on Social Welfare, and that the Senator from Middlesex, Mr. Weston, had been appointed a member of the committee in his stead, to serve as Chairman.

Change in
committee on
Social Welfare.

Petitions.

Petitions (having been deposited in the office of the Clerk priorly to 5 o'clock in the afternoon of Saturday, January 11) were severally presented and referred as follows: —

By Mr. Nichols, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 252) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, that a Commission on Foreign and Domestic Commerce be established;

Commission
on Foreign and
Domestic
Commerce.

To the committee on Administration and Commissions.

Charles River,
— length of
tenancy of
land.

By Mr. Counihan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 253) of Edward W. Quinn, mayor of the city of Cambridge, that the length of tenancy for land bordering the Charles River be increased from fifty to ninety-nine years;

To the committee on Cities.

Gloucester, —
registration
of voters.

By Mr. Brown, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 254) of Addison P. Burnham relative to the registration of voters in the city of Gloucester;

To the committee on Election Laws.

Universal
compulsory
military
training.

By Mr. Reed, a petition (accompanied by resolutions, Senate, No. 255) of Silas D. Reed for legislation to promote universal compulsory military training;

To the committee on Federal Relations.

Public
officers, —
removal.

By Mr. Beck, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 256) of Joseph P. Walsh that provision be made for the removal of officers guilty of mis-feasance or non-feasance in office;

Idle and dis-
orderly persons.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 257) of Joseph P. Walsh that provision be made for the punishment of idle and disorderly persons and other law-breakers;

Middlesex
County, —
sittings of
Superior Court
for criminal
business.

By Mr. Cavanagh, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 258) of Nathan A. Tufts relative to the sittings of the Superior Court for criminal business in the county of Middlesex; and

Common
carriers, —
liability.

By Mr. Kearney, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 259) of George A. Burnes that common carriers be liable for larceny of merchandise and for failure to pay over money collected on merchandise;

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Fornication.

By Mr. Beck, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 260) of Joseph P. Walsh relative to the crime of fornication;

Framingham,
— sittings of
probate court.

By Mr. Counihan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 261) of Edward A. Counihan, Jr., that sittings of the probate court in the town of Framingham be abolished; and

Heating of
buildings.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 262) of Joseph S. Donnelly that a penalty be provided for failure to furnish heat in buildings occupied as homes or for business purposes;

Severally to the committee on Legal Affairs.

Metropolitan
police system.

By Mr. Cavanagh, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 263) of James F. Cavanagh for the establishment of a metropolitan police system;

Boston, —
systematising
compensation
of officials and
employees.

By Mr. Mahoney, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 264) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, that provision be made to systematize the payment by said city of compensation to various officials and employees and the expenditure of money by the county of Suffolk; and

Boston, —
purchase of
stationery and
office supplies.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 265) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to the purchase of stationery and office supplies, and to

printing, binding and similar work for said city or the county of Suffolk;

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

By Mr. Counihan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 266) of Herbert Parker and another that the military rank of the Adjutant-General be established; and Adjutant-General, — military rank.

By Mr. Perrin, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 267) of Harold L. Perrin and the selectmen of the town of Wellesley that said town be authorized to pay the cost of insuring the lives of its residents in war service; Wellesley, — cost of insuring men in war service.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Counihan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 268) of Edward W. Quinn, mayor of the city of Cambridge, that said city be authorized to incur indebtedness for the construction of an addition to the Cambridge City Hospital; Cambridge, — addition to city hospital.

To the committee on Municipal Finance.

By Mr. Beck, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 269) of Joseph P. Walsh relative to venereal diseases; Venereal diseases.

By Mr. Nichols, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 270) of the Massachusetts Osteopathic Society, by Francis A. Cave, chairman, and others that the sale of certain poisonous drugs be restricted; and Poisonous drugs, — restriction of sale.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 271) of the Massachusetts Osteopathic Society, by Francis A. Cave, chairman, and others to define the status of osteopathic physicians when applying for registration; Osteopathic physicians, — status.

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

By Mr. Counihan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 272) of Albert Birch relative to the commitment of insane persons; Insane persons, — commitment.

To the committee on Public Institutions.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 273) of Edward A. Counihan, Jr., and another relative to the price of gas which may be charged by the Cambridge Gas Light Company; Cambridge Gas Light Company, — price of gas.

To the committee on Public Lighting.

By Mr. Beck, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 274) of Frank P. Huckins and others for incorporation as a railroad for the transportation of freight along or near the water front in East Boston; East Boston, — freight railroad.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 275) of John E. Beck that the Northeastern Traction District be established and that provision be made for the appointment of a commission to take over the lines of the Bay State Street Railway Company, the expense of operation to be assessed upon said district; and Bay State Street Railway Company, — commission.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 276) of John E. Beck for legislation providing for the public operation of the Bay State Street Railway Company, for certain

rates of fare, and that resulting deficiency in revenue shall be borne by the cities and towns served by the company;

Severally, under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, moved, in each instance, by the same Senator, to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

Cambridge
subway, —
cost of
construction.

By Mr. Counihan, a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 277) of Edward A. Counihan, Jr., that the Public Service Commission be directed to inquire into the cost of construction of the Cambridge subway;

To the committee on Street Railways.

Port of Boston,
— terminal
facilities.

By Mr. Cavanagh, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 278) of James F. Cavanagh relative to the development of the Port of Boston and its terminal facilities;

To the committee on Waterways and Terminals.

Contested
elections, —
publication
of reports.

By Mr. Loring, a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 279) of Augustus P. Loring that provision be made for the publication of the reports of contested elections;

To the joint committee on Ways and Means.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Burial lots.

By Mr. Tarbell, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 280) of the proprietors of Rural Cemetery, Worcester, by William T. Forbes, president, that cemetery corporations and municipalities be allowed to receive and hold in perpetual trust lots with limited rights of burial;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by the same Senator, to the committee on Legal Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Reports and recommendations were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

Incorporated
banks, —
annual
statement.

Annual statement of the Bank Commissioner of the condition of incorporated banks (abstract of Pub. Doc. No. 8);

To the committee on Banks and Banking.

Emerson
College of Ora-
tory; Gordon
Bible College.

Special report of the Board of Education relative to the petitions of the Emerson College of Oratory and the Board of Trustees of the Gordon Bible College for authority to grant degrees (House, No. 236);

To the committee on Education.

Attorney-
General, —
annual report.

Report of the Attorney-General for the year ending January 15, 1919 (Pub. Doc. No. 12):

So much as relates to the powers of public administrators and executors, to the committee on Legal Affairs;

So much as relates to the appointment of a permanent stenographer for the Supreme Judicial Court for the county of Suffolk, to the committee on Public Service;

So much as relates to the refunding by the Treasurer and Receiver-General of legacy and succession and corporation taxes

that have been erroneously or illegally exacted, to the committee on Taxation; and

The residue, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Recommendations of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners (House, No. 350) (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 351 to 358, inclusive);

Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners.

To the committee on Public Lighting.

Recommendations of the Board of Education (House, No. 344) (accompanied by bill, House, No. 345);

Board of Education, — training of disabled persons.

To the committee on Reconstruction.

Recommendations of the Board of Parole (House, No. 403) (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 404 and 405);

Board of Parole.

To the committee on Social Welfare.

So much of the recommendations of the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands (House, No. 432), as does NOT relate to the improvement and protection of rivers, harbors, tidewaters and foreshores (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 433 to 438, inclusive, and 440);

Waterways and Public Lands, — recommendations.

To the committee on Waterways and Terminals.

The following bills and resolve, taken from the House files, were referred, in concurrence: —

Bill authorizing the transfer of certain Cambridge park lands to the care and control of the Metropolitan Park Commission and directing said commission to inquire into the expediency of acquiring such care and control over all other municipal park lands within the metropolitan parks district (House, No. 547);

Cambridge and other park lands, — metropolitan control.

To the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Resolve providing for the construction of a State armory in the city of Quincy (House, No. 548);

Quincy. — State armory.

To the committee on Military Affairs.

Bill to provide that increases in the price of gas shall not be made unless approved by the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners (House, No. 550);

Price of gas, — approval of increases.

To the committee on Public Lighting.

Bill to authorize the recovery and repayment of certain sums collected under the income tax law (House, No. 552);

Income taxes, — repayment.

To the committee on Taxation.

House petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 556) of the Massachusetts Forestry Association that arborists be registered;

Arborists, — registration.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 559) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for regulation of the occupation of barbering and for the creation of a board of examiners for the licensing of barbers; and

Barbers, — State licensing board.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 560) of Charles L. Allen and others for the appointment of a special commission to investigate the results of the prevailing hours of labor in in-

Hours of labor, — investigation of results.

dustries in this Commonwealth and to make recommendations thereon;

Severally to the committee on Administration and Commissions.

Killing of dogs to protect sheep, etc.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 561) of Wendell P. Thoré relative to preventing the ruthless and unlawful killing of dogs;

To the committee on Agriculture.

Savings banks, — increased limit of deposits.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 564) of The Massachusetts Savings Banks Association relative to increasing the limit which may be deposited in savings banks or institutions for savings;

Savings banks, — pensioning of employees.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 565) of Henry Parkman that savings banks and institutions for savings be authorized to pension employees;

Savings banks, — guaranteed interest on deposits.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 566) of The Massachusetts Savings Banks Association that savings banks and institutions for savings be authorized to guarantee interest on deposits in certain cases; and

Trust companies and savings banks, — deposits on interest monthly.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 567) of The Massachusetts Savings Banks Association and another that trust companies having savings departments, savings banks and institutions for savings be authorized to place deposits upon interest monthly;

Severally to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Boston, — development of vacant land.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 568) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor, relative to the approval of the board of street commissioners of the city of Boston of the development of vacant land in said city;

Cambridge, — pension for Minor F. Hamlin.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 574) of Julius Meyers that the city of Cambridge be authorized to pension Minor F. Hamlin;

Newton, — repairing of schoolhouses.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 575) of Philip Nichols relative to repairs to the schoolhouses of the city of Newton;

Newton, — salary of mayor.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 576) of Edwin O. Childs that the salary of the mayor of the city of Newton be established; and

Lynn, — pension for Reuben J. Mansir.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 577) of Charles B. Frothingham and others that the city of Lynn be authorized to retire and pension Reuben J. Mansir;

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Trustees of Tufts College, — selection.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 578) of Robert W. Hill and another relative to the selection of members of the Trustees of Tufts College;

Private schools, — use of English.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 579) of Charles S. Jackson and others relative to the use of the English language in private schools; and

Bristol County Agricultural School, — improvements.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 580) of the county commissioners of the county of Bristol that provision be made

for construction and improvements at the Bristol County Agricultural School;

Severally to the committee on Education.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 581) of Guy M. Winslow that provision be made for preferential voting in municipal elections in cities; Municipal elections, — preferential voting.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 582) of Anson B. Edgerly for the repeal or revision of the corrupt practices act, so called; and Corrupt practices act, — repeal.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 583) of Jerome S. Smith that provision be made for compulsory voting at elections; Elections, — compulsory voting.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 592) of Joseph E. Herrick for a continuance of the appropriation for the improvement of Beverly Harbor; and Beverly Harbor, — improvement.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 593) of Victor Francis Jewett and others for the improvement of the Merrimack River from the sea to Hunts Falls at the city of Lowell in co-operation with the government of the United States; Merrimack River, — State and Federal improvement.

Severally to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 596) of George Bunting relative to the reserve to be carried on life insurance policies; Life insurance companies, — reserve.

To the committee on Insurance.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 486) of Edward F. Harrington relative to the sale of coke, charcoal and kindling wood in paper bags; and Coke, charcoal and kindling wood, — sale in paper bags.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 487) of Christian Nelson and others relative to the sale of fruit and vegetables by weight or numerical count; Fruit and vegetables, — sale.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 491) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, for the annexation to said city of certain cities and towns; Greater Boston.

To the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 229) of Stewart B. McLeod, mayor, and another that the city of Brockton be authorized to extend Centre Street in said city; Brockton, — extension of Centre Street.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 501) of the mayor and city solicitor of the city of Malden that cities and towns be authorized to borrow money for the payment of war service pay-rolls; Municipal indebtedness, — war service pay-rolls.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 502) of George W. Searle and another relative to the manner of appropriating money by towns; and Town appropriations.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 549) of Fred J. Burrell that the city of Medford be authorized to incur indebtedness for the purpose of constructing a high school building; Medford, — high school building.

Severally to the committee on Municipal Finance.

Tenants, —
sanitary condition
of buildings.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House No. 504) of The Dorchester Board of Trade relative to the responsibility of tenants, occupants and others for the sanitary condition of buildings and premises;

Food and
beverages, —
registration of
dealers.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 505) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, for the registration of establishments for the production, manufacture, storage or distribution of food-stuffs or beverages; and

Taunton River
and tributaries,
— pollution.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 506) of George M. Webber for an investigation by the State Department of Health as to the pollution of the Taunton River and its tributaries;

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Training
schools, —
improvements.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 507) of Carl Dreyfus and others for certain improvements at institutions under the control of the Trustees of Massachusetts Training Schools; and

State paupers,
— expenses of
cities and
towns.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 508) of James G. Moran that cities and towns be reimbursed for expenses incurred in sending State paupers to State institutions;

Severally to the committee on Public Institutions.

Hingham, —
electric light
locations.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 509) of the selectmen of Hingham for the validation of the locations granted by said town for electric lines of its electric light department;

To the committee on Public Lighting.

Methuen trial
justice, —
clerical work.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 510) of Albion G. Peirce relative to payment for the clerical work of the trial justice in Methuen;

Civil Service
Commission, —
places of
strikers.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 514) of Jonathan Perry and another that the Civil Service Commission be prohibited from certifying names of persons to fill the places of strikers;

Secretary's
deputies,
— salaries.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 515) of Herbert H. Boynton and another for an increase in the salaries of the first and second deputies in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth;

State em-
ployees, —
vacations.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 516) of M. F. O'Brien for vacations without loss of pay for certain State employees;

Police officers,
— appoint-
ment and
promotion.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 517) of James M. Keaney relative to appointments and promotions of police officers in the classified civil service;

County em-
ployees, —
civil service.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 518) of Courtenay Crocker that certain positions in counties be included within the classified civil service;

Beverly chief
of police, —
civil service.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 519) of James A. Torrey that the chief of police of the city of Beverly be placed under civil service; and

Saugus trial
justice, —
salary.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 551) of George L. Nourse and others that the salary of the trial justice of the town of Saugus be increased;

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 520) of John H. Baker for the construction and maintenance by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of sidewalks along State highways; State highways, — sidewalks.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 521) of Charles F. McCarthy, mayor, and others for the payment by the Commonwealth of a sum of money for the maintenance of Main Street in the city of Marlborough; Marlborough, — maintenance of Main Street.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 522) of Alonzo P. Grinnell and others for the construction by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a State highway in the city of Lynn and towns of Wakefield and Saugus; Lynn, Wakefield and Saugus, — State highway.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 523) of Elmer L. Briggs for the improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a highway in the towns of Plymouth and Bourne; Plymouth and Bourne, — highway improvement.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 524) of Charles H. Hartshorn for the erection of sign-posts indicating the boundary lines between cities and towns on main highways; Public ways, — sign-posts.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 525) of Jeremiah P. Keating for improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of the highway from Westborough to North Grafton; Westborough and North Grafton, — highway improvement.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 526) of Jeremiah P. Keating that cities and towns be reimbursed for expenses incurred in prosecuting persons for violating laws relating to motor-vehicles; Violators of motor-vehicle laws, — prosecutions.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 527) of Roland D. Sawyer for the improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a highway in the town of Belchertown; and Belchertown, — highway improvement.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 528) of Roland D. Sawyer for an improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a highway between the towns of Ware and West Brookfield; Ware and West Brookfield, — highway improvement.

Severally to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 529) of Arthur N. Newhall relative to the salaries and compensation for travel of members of the General Court; and General Court, — salaries and mileage.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 530) of Fitz-Henry Smith, Jr., and others relative to the amount of mileage allowed to members of the General Court; General Court, — mileage.

Severally to the joint committee on Rules.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 531) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor that drawtenders and assistant drawtenders be included in the laborers' pension acts of the cities of Boston and Cambridge; Boston and Cambridge, — pensions for drawtenders.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 532) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for an extension of the pension act of the city of Boston to all employees of the city; Boston, — extension of pension system.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 533) of Edward A. Moore and another relative to the retirement of school janitors and attendance officers in the city of Boston; Boston school janitors and attendance officers, — retirement.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 534) of John J. Murphy that the Homestead Commission be authorized to construct homesteads in the city of Holyoke; and Holyoke, — State homesteads.

Police and fire
departments,
— pensions.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 535) of James M. Keaney relative to pensioning permanent members of police and fire departments in towns and to the pensioning of widows and children of members of such departments;

Severally to the committee on Social Welfare.

Boston Ele-
vated Railway
Company, —
cleaning of cars.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 536) of Joseph B. Aigen relative to requiring the cleaning of cars of the Boston Elevated Railway Company; and

Street railways,
— municipal
control.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 537) of Gardner W. Pearson that cities and towns be authorized to construct, acquire, own and operate street railways and other means of transportation;

Severally to the committee on Street Railways.

General Insur-
ance Guaranty
Fund, — taxa-
tion.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 538) of Warren A. Reed and others relative to exempting the General Insurance Guaranty Fund from taxation;

Educational
institutions, —
taxation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 539) of Julius Meyers relative to the taxation of certain property of educational institutions;

Tax on
incomes, —
distribution.
Unpaid taxes,
— interest.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 542) of David J. O'Connell relative to the distribution of the tax on incomes; and

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 543) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to interest on unpaid taxes;

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

The following House order was adopted, in concurrence: —

Committee
on Public
Institutions, —
travel.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Institutions be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, on or before March 1, the Boston State Hospital, Danvers State Hospital, Foxborough State Hospital, Gardner State Colony, Grafton State Hospital, Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded, Medfield State Hospital, Northampton State Hospital, Taunton State Hospital, Westborough State Hospital, Worcester State Hospital, Wrentham State School, Belchertown Colony, Lakeville State Sanatorium, Massachusetts Hospital School, North Reading State Sanatorium, Penikese Hospital, Rutland State Sanatorium, State Infirmary, Westfield State Sanatorium, Industrial School for Boys, Industrial School for Girls, Lyman School for Boys, Massachusetts Reformatory, Prison Camp and Hospital, Reformatory for Women and State Prison.

On motion of Mr. Halliwell, at eighteen minutes before twelve o'clock A.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, January 20, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Reed, for the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 8) of Francis A. Morse and others relative to the hiring and letting of boats and canoes; Boats and canoes, — hiring and letting.

Read and, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator, considered forthwith, and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Petitions.

Petitions (having been deposited in the office of the Clerk priorly to 5 o'clock in the afternoon of Saturday, January 11) were severally presented and referred as follows: —

By Mr. Beck, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 281) of Joseph P. Walsh that provision be made for repressing prostitution; and Prostitution.

By Mr. Reed, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 282) of Silas D. Reed for the restoration of the publication of the Acts and Resolves in a single volume; Acts and Resolves, — publication in single volume.

Severally to the committee on Legal Affairs.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

By Mr. McKnight, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 283) of Edwin T. McKnight that the operation of the civil service laws and regulations be suspended in favor of soldiers, sailors and marines returning from war service who are qualified to enter the public service and that provision be made for their immediate employment; Soldiers, sailors and marines, — suspension of civil service laws and regulations; employment.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. Beck, to the committee on Reconstruction.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Recommendations and reports were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

Recommendations of the Board of Commissioners for the Promotion of Uniformity of Legislation in the United States (House, No. 426); Uniformity of Legislation in the United States.

Commissioners
on uniform
State laws.

So much as relates to establishing commissioners on uniform State laws (accompanied by bill, House, No. 431), to the committee on Administration and Commissions; and

The residue (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 427 to 430, inclusive), to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Supervisor of
Administration,
— report on
the State Board
of Labor and
Industries.

Special report of the Supervisor of Administration relative to the efficiency of the State Board of Labor and Industries, the organization thereof, the methods employed thereby, and in what respects the board should be reorganized (House, No. 1017);

To the committee on Administration and Commissions.

The Bradford
Durfee Textile
School of Fall
River.
New Bedford
Textile School.

Annual report of the trustees of The Bradford Durfee Textile School of Fall River (House, No. 1018); and

Annual report of the trustees of the New Bedford Textile School (House, No. 1019);

Severally to the committee on Education.

Insurance
Commissioner.

Recommendations of the Insurance Commissioner (House, No. 362):

Employers' re-
sponsibility;
approval of
insurance rates;
liability of
insurance
companies.

So much as relates to the responsibility of employers for the payment of benefits, to the authority of the Insurance Commissioner in the approval of workmen's compensation insurance rates, and to the liability of insurance companies for the acts or knowledge of their agents (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 367, 368 and 388), to the joint committee on the Judiciary;

Appointments
and salaries.

So much as relates to appointments and to the standardization and increase of salaries in the department of the Insurance Commissioner (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 375 to 378, inclusive), to the committee on Public Service; and

The residue (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 363 to 366, inclusive, 369 to 374, inclusive, 379 to 387, inclusive, and 389 to 391, inclusive), to the committee on Insurance.

Commission
on general
laws, —
report.

Report of the commission appointed to consolidate and arrange the general laws of the Commonwealth, submitting certain recommendations and asking for an extension of time within which to complete their work (House, No. 1270);

To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Public Service
Commission.

Abstract of the fifth annual report of the Public Service Commission (Pub. Doc. No. 14):

Telephone
and telegraph
companies.

So much as relates to the supervision of telephone and telegraph companies (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1137), to the committee on Mercantile Affairs;

Railroad
corporations.

So much as relates to railroad corporations (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 1138 and 1139), to the committee on Railroads; and

Street railway
companies.

So much as relates to street railway companies (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1140), to the committee on Street Railways.

Commission
on Mental
Diseases.
State institu-
tions, —
employees.

Recommendations of the Commission on Mental Diseases (House, No. 392):

So much as relates to the employment of persons in State institutions (accompanied by bill, House, No. 396), to the committee on Public Service;

So much as relates to the penalty for assisting in the escape of patients from institutions (accompanied by bill, House, No. 398), to the joint committee on the Judiciary; and

Assisting in escape of patients, — penalty.

The residue (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 393, 394, 395 and 397), to the committee on Public Institutions.

Recommendations of the Supervisor of Administration (House, No. 322):

Supervisor of Administration.

So much as relates to the amount of money allowed the Governor and Council for military and extraordinary expenses (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 323), to the joint committee on Ways and Means;

Military and extraordinary expenses.

So much as relates to positions and salaries in the executive department and to the laws relating to the classification and grading of stenographers and clerks in the service of the Commonwealth (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 324 and 325), to the committee on Public Service; and

Executive department, — positions and salaries; stenographers and clerks, — classification.

So much as relates to the Commissioner of Public Records and the Trustees of Hospitals for Consumptives (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 326 and 327), to the committee on Administration and Commissions.

Commissioner of Public Records; Trustees of Hospitals for Consumptives.

A House petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 482) of Charles H. Hartshorn relative to the carrying and displaying of flags and banners, — came up, referred to the committee on Legal Affairs.

Flags and banners.

On motion of Mr. Cavanagh, the petition was referred, in non-concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

A House petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 563) of Raymond P. Delano and another that foreclosure of mortgages by savings banks be restricted for a limited time, — came up, referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Savings banks, — foreclosure of mortgages.

On motion of Mr. Cavanagh, the petition was referred, in non-concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

House petitions and resolutions were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 558) of Edward A. Scigliano relative to the transfer of the powers and duties of the Massachusetts Bureau of Immigration to the Board of Education;

Massachusetts Bureau of Immigration, — abolition.

To the committee on Administration and Commissions.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 562) of Frank J. Linehan and another that the assignment of loans by coöperative banks be limited;

Coöperative banks, — assignment of loans.

To the committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 569) of Philip J. Feinberg that William F. Johnson be reinstated in the fire department of the city of Boston;

Boston fire department, — William F. Johnson.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 571) of Alice C. Cushing that the city of Boston be authorized to pay a sum of money to the widow of Ellison B. Cushing;

Boston, — widow of Ellison B. Cushing.

Boston, —
taking water
from hydrants
and stand-
pipes.

Boston, —
annual regis-
tration of
hospitals.

Public forums
on election
matters.

Labor, — Fed-
eral regulation.

Hunting and
fishing licenses.

Ruffed grouse,
— close season.

Lake Quanna-
powitt in
Wakefield, —
pickerel.

Weweantit
River in
Carver, —
alewives.

Alewives, —
artificial
propagation.

Buzzard's Bay,
— weirs,
pounds, nets
and traps.

Open season
for deer, —
taking of other
game.

Raccoon, —
close season.

Weweantit
River in
Carver, — im-
provement.

Mount Sugar
Loaf State
Reservation,
— land.

Plymouth
County, —
May sitting at
Brockton for
civil business.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 572) of William J. Manning relative to the taking of water from hydrants and standpipes in the city of Boston; and

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 573) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to the annual registration of hospitals in said city;

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 584) of James H. Wilkins for the establishment of public forums in cities and towns;

To the committee on Election Laws.

Resolutions relative to an amendment of the Constitution of the United States authorizing Federal regulation of labor (House, No. 555);

To the committee on Federal Relations.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 470) of the Springfield Fish and Game Association relative to hunting and fishing licenses;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 585) of the Springfield Fish and Game Association for a close season on ruffed grouse;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 586) of Eden K. Bowser that the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game be authorized to regulate the taking of pickerel from Lake Quannapowitt in the town of Wakefield;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 587) of John Holland relative to the taking of alewives in the Weweantit River in Carver;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 588) of George N. Besse and another relative to the artificial propagation of alewives;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 589) of James F. Kiernan relative to prohibiting the construction of weirs, pounds, nets or fish traps in Buzzard's Bay;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 590) of William J. Heebner and another that the taking of other game be restricted during the open season for deer; and

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 591) of Claude E. Hume and another for the establishment of a close season for the hunting or killing of raccoon;

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 594) of Frank E. Barrows relative to a State appropriation for the improvement of Weweantit River in the town of Carver; and

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 595) of Charles N. Stoddard and another for the purchase of additional land for the Mount Sugar Loaf State Reservation;

Severally to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 597) of Richard W. Nutter and others for a change in the time for the sitting in Brockton of the May term for civil business of the Superior Court for the county of Plymouth;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 598) of Cornelius Boothman relative to expediting the trial of cases in the Superior Court; Superior Court, — expedition of trials.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 599) of Charles D. Bradbury that persons charged with certain misdemeanors may be represented and enter plea in court by counsel; Motor-vehicle misdemeanors, — counsel.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 600) of E. M. Shanley relative to sentence in criminal cases where exceptions or an appeal have been taken; Certain criminal cases, — sentences.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 602) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, that unpaid water-rates shall become liens on real estate; Unpaid water-rates, — liens on real estate.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 603) of George R. Ellis relative to the transfer of suits begun by the trustee process; Trustee process, — transfer of suits.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 604) of A. N. Frost that for convenience in naturalization proceedings the clerks of the Superior Court be authorized to maintain offices in cities and towns to be determined; Naturalisation proceedings, — offices for clerk of courts.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 605) of George P. Drury for a postponement of the taking effect of certain parts of the Act of 1918 making certain substantive corrections in existing laws; Substantive corrections in existing laws, — taking effect.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 606) of William E. Weeks, mayor, and others that a police court be established in the city of Everett; Everett, — police court.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 607) of Albert R. Kerr that jewelers, watchmakers and silversmiths have a lien on articles left in their possession; Jewelers, watchmakers and silversmiths, — liens on articles.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 608) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for an amendment of the law regulating the weekly payment of wages in respect to hearings on complaints; Weekly payment of wages, — hearings on complaints.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 609) of John D. Mackay relative to the dismissal of complaints in criminal actions; Criminal actions, — dismissal of complaints.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 610) of John D. Mackay relative to the admission of evidence relating to previous convictions; Previous convictions, — admission of evidence.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 611) of John R. Nelson relative to evidence of previous convictions in criminal cases; Id.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 612) of George Albee relative to the incorporation of agricultural and horticultural organizations; Agricultural and horticultural organizations.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 614) of Elihu D. Stone relative to the punishment for murder; Murder, — punishment.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 615) of Joseph E. Warner for legislation to regulate the taking effect of Acts and Resolves passed by the General Court; and Legislative acts and resolves, — taking effect.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 618) of Frank W. Grinnell relative to appeals from police, district and municipal courts to the Superior Court on questions of law; Certain courts, — appeals on questions of law.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Uniform eight-hour day.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 620) of Harvey E. Frost for the establishment of an eight-hour day in all industries;

To the committee on Labor.

Certain courts and registries, — fees.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 622) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to the fees of police, district and municipal courts, clerks of courts, registers of deeds, recorder and assistant recorders of the Land Court and registers of probate and insolvency;

Employment offices, — State control.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 623) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor that free and private employment offices be put under the control of the State Board of Labor and Industries;

Theatrical licenses.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 624) of Philip J. Feinberg relative to theatrical licenses;

Lord's Day, — certain business and labor.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 625) of Philip J. Feinberg and another that certain business and the performance of certain labor on the Lord's Day be authorized;

Burial lots and tombs, — ownership.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 626) of Alfred Morton Cutler and others relative to the ownership of burial lots and tombs;

Boston, — fees for licenses and permits.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 627) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to fees for licenses and permits in said city;

Public advertising, — municipal control.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 629) of Edwin O. Childs that cities and towns be authorized to regulate advertising on public ways, in public places and on private property in public view; and

Minors, — firearms and ammunition.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 631) of Harry R. Sackett relative to the sale of firearms and ammunition to, and their use by, certain minors;

Severally to the committee on Legal Affairs.

Buildings, — municipal regulations.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 635) of Edwin O. Childs that cities and towns be authorized to limit buildings according to their use; and

Operators of steam boilers, — licenses.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 636) of Roland D. Sawyer relative to examinations of applicants for licenses to run steam boilers;

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Boston, — tax limit.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 637) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to the tax limit of said city;

Winthrop Shore Reservation, — sea-wall.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 638) of Charles D. Bradbury for the extension by the Metropolitan Park Commission of the sea-wall on Winthrop Shore Reservation;

Lynn Woods and Nahant-Lynn shore drive, — connection.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 639) of Frank E. Marble for an investigation by the Metropolitan Park Commission of new routes to connect Lynn Woods and the Nahant-Lynn shore drive;

Newton, — completion of metropolitan parkways and connections.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 640) of the mayor of the city of Newton for completion of improvements on the southerly bank of the Charles River and the construction of a

parkway connection between Maple and Jefferson streets in Newton and the driveway connection from Brooks Street in Brighton;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 641) of the selectmen of Watertown relative to the authority of the Metropolitan Park Commission to rebuild existing bridges over the Charles River and to acquire additional land adjacent thereto;

Charles River, — rebuilding of certain metropolitan park bridges.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 642) of the selectment of Watertown relative to the control of the Charles River Basin by the Metropolitan Park Commission;

Charles River Basin, — control.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 643) of the selectmen of the town of Watertown that the Commonwealth pay a portion of the cost of constructing and surfacing North Beacon Street in said town;

Watertown, — cost of improving North Beacon Street.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 645) of John R. Nelson for the construction by the Metropolitan Park Commission of a dam and tide gate across Black's Creek at its intersection with Furnace Brook Parkway in the city of Quincy; and

Black's Creek in Quincy, — dam and tide gate.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 646) of the mayor of the city of Quincy for the completion by the Metropolitan Park Commission of Furnace Brook Parkway in said city;

Furnace Brook Parkway in Quincy, — completion.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 652) of Arthur N. Newhall that the rank of Major James P. Clare, retired, be increased to that of Colonel;

Major James P. Clare, — retirement rank.

Petition (accompanied by resolves, House, Nos. 653 and 654) of Horace B. Parker and others that the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company and Frank G. Bird of Boston be compensated for services rendered the National Guard; and

New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company and Frank G. Bird of Boston.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 655) of Horace B. Parker for the payment by the Commonwealth of certain sums of money to officers of the First and Second Regiments Massachusetts Field Artillery;

Certain field artillery officers, — reimbursement.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 656) of the city solicitor of Medford that said city be authorized to incur indebtedness for school purposes;

Medford, — indebtedness for school purposes.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 657) of the Textile Council of the Central Labor-Union and the Building Trades Council of New Bedford and others that the city of New Bedford be authorized to borrow money for the construction of a city hospital; and

New Bedford, — indebtedness for a city hospital.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 658) of Allan G. Buttrick that the town of Millville be authorized to borrow money for paying indebtedness to the town of Blackstone;

Millville, — indebtedness to Blackstone.

Severally to the committee on Municipal Finance.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 671) of Albert L. Whitman that the salary of the Tax Commissioner be established;

Tax Commissioner, — salary.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 672) of Albert L. Whitman that the salaries of the members of the Public Service Commission be established;

Public Service Commission, — salaries.

State House
elevatormen,
— compensation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 674) of William P. French for additional compensation for the elevator operators employed by the Sergeant-at-Arms at the State House;

State House
pages, — compensation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 675) of Martin Hays and another that the compensation of the pages in the Sergeant-at-Arms' department be established;

Sergeant-at-Arms' employees, — salaries.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 676) of Leland Powers relative to fixing the salaries of certain employees of the Sergeant-at-Arms;

Charlestown
court in
Boston, — salary
of second
assistant clerk.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 682) of William J. Francis for an increase in the salary of the second assistant clerk of the municipal court of the Charlestown district of the city of Boston;

Boston police
department, —
removals, sus-
pensions and
transfers.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 683) of the Police Commissioner for the city of Boston relative to removals, suspensions and transfers in the police department of said city;

Judges and
registers of
probate, —
minimum
salaries.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 685) of Arthur W. Jones and another for a minimum salary for judges and registers of probate;

Deputy assistant
clerks of
courts.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 686) of A. N. Frost for the appointment of deputy assistant clerks of courts; and

Prison service,
— salaries of
engineers.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 688) of John R. Hudson that the salaries of engineers in the prison service be regulated;

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Municipal em-
ployees in war
service, — re-
instatement.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 691) of Joseph B. Aigen for the reinstatement as employees of cities and towns of employees who entered the military or naval service during the European war;

To the committee on Reconstruction.

Cummington,
Adams and
Savoy, — State
highway.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 692) of Cornelius Boothman and another for the construction by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a State highway between the towns of Cummington, Adams and Savoy;

Freetown, —
improvement of
bridge over
Fall brook.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 693) of William J. Bullock for the straightening by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of the approaches to the bridge over Fall Brook in the town of Freetown;

Holden and
Wachusett
mountain, —
highway im-
provement.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 694) of George C. Hudson and another for the improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a highway between the town of Holden and the Wachusett Mountain State Reservation;

Motor trucks,
— width and
lights.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 695) of Harry R. Sackett relative to the width of motor trucks and to the lights used thereon; and

Owners of
motor-vehicles,
— liability
for damages.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 696) of William I. Schell that the Massachusetts Highway Commission refuse registration unless owners of motor-vehicles file certificates of insurance for personal liability or property damages;

Severally to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 703) of the Women's Trade-Union League relative to the working hours of women and children; and Women and children, — working hours.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 996) of Wendell Phillips Thoré and another for the establishment of a system of non-contributory pensions to protect citizens from want in old age or during disability or unemployment; Old age pension system.

Severally to the committee on Social Welfare.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 540) of Julius Meyers relative to the taxation of the real estate of literary and scientific institutions; and Literary and scientific institutions, — taxation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 541) of Julius Meyers relative to the taxation of real estate acquired in the city of Cambridge by Harvard College; Harvard College, — taxation of property in Cambridge.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

On motion of Mr. Hastings, at twenty-five minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, January 21, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Petition.*Soldiers,
sailors and
marines, —
State pay.

Mr. Sullivan presented a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 284) of Peter F. Sullivan that State pay for soldiers, sailors and marines be continued from the date originally provided in chapter 211 of the Acts of 1917 (the same having been deposited in the office of the Clerk prior to 5 o'clock in the afternoon of Saturday, January 11); and the petition was referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain, —

Special Recess
Commission
on Education.

Ordered, That the time within which the General Court will receive the report of the Special Recess Commission on Education, appointed under chapter 88 of the Resolves of 1918, be extended to Wednesday, January 29, in the current year.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

State Depart-
ment of Agri-
culture.

Recommendations of the State Department of Agriculture (House, No. 328) (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 329 and 330), — were referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Agriculture.

Great ponds,
— fishing and
boating.

A House petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 644) of William J. Naphen relative to permitting fishing and boating in great ponds, — came up, referred to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain, the petition was referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Public Health.

Sent down for concurrence.

Boston public
works depart-
ment, —
Edward W.
Chase.

A House petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 684) of Edward A. Scigliano that Edward W. Chase be reinstated in the public works department of the city of Boston, — came up, referred to the committee on Public Service.

On motion of Mr. Beck, the petition was referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Cities.

Sent down for concurrence.

House petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows:—

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 727) of Wilfrid Wheeler that provision be made for the collection of agricultural statistics; Agricultural statistics, — collection.

To the committee on Agriculture.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 728) of Carl C. Emery that savings banks provide means for the safe-keeping of Liberty bonds; Savings banks, — safekeeping of Liberty bonds.

To the committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 729) of Robert S. Hartstone that the city of Boston be authorized to compensate William T. Hill of Malden for injuries received on a public way; Boston, — William T. Hill of Malden.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 730) of P. M. Costello that the city of Boston be authorized to take for historical purposes certain land and a building thereon in the Dorchester district of said city; Boston, — historical property in Dorchester.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 731) of Frank H. Cowin for an eight-hour day for members of the police department of the city of Boston; Boston police department, — eight-hour day.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 732) of Clarence W. Rowley that the hours of duty of police officers in the city of Boston be established and that overtime compensation be allowed; Boston police department, — hours of duty and overtime compensation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 733) of Clarence W. Rowley that the minimum compensation of certain police officers in the city of Boston be established; Boston police department, — minimum compensation.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 734) of Katharine M. Sullivan and another that the city of Boston be authorized to compensate her for injuries received in a library building in said city; Boston, — Katharine M. Sullivan.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 735) of the mayor and city solicitor of the city of Brockton that said city be authorized to pension James Keough; Brockton, — pension for James Keough.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 736) of the Chicopee Permanent Firemen's Benefit Association and others for the establishment of the two-platoon system in the city of Chicopee; Chicopee fire department, — two-platoon system.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 737) of Urban Fleming and another for the creation of a gas and electric board for the city of Holyoke; and Holyoke, — gas and electric board.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 738) of Michael H. Jordan and others that the city of Lawrence be authorized to pay an annuity to the widow of Thomas F. Doyle; Lawrence, — widow of Thomas F. Doyle.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 745) of Alonzo P. Grinnell and others relative to State primary elections and to statements on ballots; Primary elections, — statements on ballots.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 746) of Matthew A. Higgins that all legal voters be required to vote at all elections; Elections, — compulsory voting.

and

Elections, —
compulsory
voting.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 747) of George W. Kelley for compulsory registration and balloting by qualified voters;

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

Dennis, —
taking of
scallops.

Petitions of Leon Rogers and others and Clarence L. Gage and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of George H. Garfield relative to the taking of scallops in the town of Dennis; and

Fresh waters,
— fishing
with floats.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 749) of Matthew A. Higgins that fishing with floats be prohibited or restricted; Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Belle Isle
Inlet, —
improvements.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 750) of Michael F. Shaw and others that the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands be authorized to excavate and make other improvements in Belle Isle Inlet;

To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Foreign insur-
ance compa-
nies, — assets.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 751) of Harold J. Taylor relative to the assets of United States branches of foreign insurance companies; and

Mutual insur-
ance compa-
nies, — powers.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 752) of John W. Cronin relative to the powers of mutual insurance companies;

Severally to the committee on Insurance.

Industrial
accidents, —
notices.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 601) of E. M. Shanley relative to notice by employees of injuries received in the course of their employment;

Mortgage of
merchandise or
fixtures in
fraud of
creditors.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 613) of William I. Schell that the sale or mortgage of merchandise or fixtures in bulk in fraud of creditors be prohibited;

Double trials;
appellate divi-
sions of certain
courts.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 616) of Frank W. Grinnell that double trials in civil actions be prevented and to provide for appellate divisions of police, district and municipal courts;

Arrest on
mesne process;
poor debtors;
supplementary
proceedings.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 617) of the Massachusetts Bar Association for a revision of the law of arrest on mesne process and the poor debtor law, and for supplementary proceedings in civil actions; and

Probate courts,
— appeals.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 619) of Frank W. Grinnell for regulation of appeals from probate courts;

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Factories and
workshops, —
lockers.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 769) of Michael H. Jordan relative to the furnishing of lockers in certain factories and workshops; and

Private fami-
lies, — weekly
payments to
employees.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 770) of Edwin Mulready and others for the weekly payment of wages to employees in private families;

Severally to the committee on Labor.

Criminal cases,
— admission
to bail.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 621) of E. M. Shanley relative to admitting to bail in criminal cases;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 628) of William J. Naphen relative to appeals in cases of abatement of taxes; and
 Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 630) of Edward Keevin relative to boxing exhibitions in certain cities;
 Severally to the committee on Legal Affairs.

Abatement of taxes, — appeals.
 Boxing exhibitions.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 633) of Philip A. Hendrick that the corporation known as the Aero Sales Company, Incorporated, be revived;
 To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Aero Sales Company, Incorporated.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 794) of Maria J. Mutch for compensation for the care of the late Charles F. Geer who was injured while in the employ of the Metropolitan Park Commission; and

Maria J. Mutch, — care of Charles F. Geer.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 795) of Roscoe Walsworth and others that the Metropolitan Park Commission be authorized to acquire land for completing the Winthrop Parkway in the city of Revere and town of Winthrop and to protect certain public ways in said city and town from damage by the ocean;

Revere and Winthrop, — completion of Winthrop Parkway.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 647) of the city solicitor of Medford that said city be reimbursed for money expended for a company of the State Guard;

Medford, — expenditures for the State Guard.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 648) of Charles A. Flanagan relative to certain leaves of absence for veterans of the civil, Spanish and European wars;

War veterans, — leaves of absence.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 651) of Charles A. Flanagan and another relative to the record of Massachusetts soldiers, sailors and marines who served in the Spanish-American war; and

Spanish war veterans, — records.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 796) of William H. McDonnell for the planting of trees in memory of soldiers and sailors who died during the European war;

European war veterans, — memorial trees.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 659) of John R. Hudson relative to the auditing of accounts of cities and towns;
 To the committee on Municipal Finance.

Municipal accounts, — auditing.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 797) of James W. Hayes relative to the removal and disposal of garbage and other refuse matter in the city of Boston;
 To the committee on Public Health.

Boston, — removal of garbage and refuse.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 667) of Roland D. Sawyer for an appropriation for the purchase of additional land in the town of Belchertown for the proposed school for the feeble-minded;

Proposed State school in Belchertown, — additional land.

To the committee on Public Institutions.

Legislative
document
clerks, —
mileage.

Bristol County
buildings, —
salaries of
janitors and
superin-
tendents.

Plymouth
County, —
salaries of cer-
tain medical
examiners.

George Fletcher,
— compensation
for loss
of wages.

Boston penal
institutions
department, —
civil service.

James H.
Burke, —
petition for re-
instatement.

Controller of
County Ac-
counts, — sal-
aries, etc.

Boston, —
former lamp-
lighters in
labor service.

Haverhill
assistant fire
chiefs, —
civil service.

Discharged
soldiers and
sailors, —
State farms.

Mary A.
McCarthy, —
firemen's fund
relief.

Merrimac, —
State tax
reimbursement.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 673) of John J. Gartland that compensation for travel be paid the clerk and assistant clerks in the legislative document room of the State House;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 677) of Andrew P. Doyle and others that the salaries of janitors and superintendents of certain county buildings in the county of Bristol be established;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 678) of Elmer L. Briggs that the compensation of the medical examiner and associate medical examiner in district number three of the county of Plymouth be established;

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 679) of Timothy J. Driscoll relative to compensating George Fletcher for loss of wages sustained by him as a result of an accident while employed as a special officer of the district police;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 680) of Timothy J. Driscoll that certain employees in the penal institutions department of the city of Boston be placed under civil service;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 681) of James H. Burke, former master of the house of correction at Deer Island, for authority to file a petition under the act relative to the suspension, removal or reduction of persons in the classified civil service;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 689) of Frank L. Dean relative to appointments, classifications and salaries in the department of the Controller of County Accounts;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 816) of James T. Thompson that the time be extended within which former lamp-lighters may be appointed to positions in the labor service of the city of Boston; and

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 817) of Roswell L. Wood and another that the assistant chiefs of the fire department of the city of Haverhill be placed under civil service;

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 818) of Augustus P. Loring relative to the furnishing of farms by the Commonwealth to discharged soldiers and sailors and others;

To the committee on Reconstruction.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 719) of Peter E. Walsh and others that there be paid from the firemen's relief fund a sum of money to Mary A. McCarthy, widow of John J. McCarthy, a fireman who died from injuries received in the performance of duty; and

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 720) of Willis N. Scott and another that the town of Merrimac be reimbursed for certain sums improperly assessed against it;

Severally to the joint committee on Ways and Means.

Former United States Senator James E. Martine, of New Jersey.

The Honorable James E. Martine, formerly United States Senator from New Jersey, being in the Senate Chamber, was introduced to the Senators by the President and addressed them.

Former United
States Senator
James E.
Martine of
New Jersey.

On motion of Mr. Cavanagh, at twenty-five minutes past two o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, January 22, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

Boston, —
widow of
Patrick Carr.

By Mr. Foley, for the committee on Cities, on the petition of William J. Foley (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 20), a Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay an annuity to the widow of Patrick Carr (Senate, No. 285);

Boston, —
John Collins.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of John A. Kelleher and another (accompanied by bill, House, No. 106), a Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay an annual pension to John Collins (Senate, No. 286); and

Danvers, —
water loan.

By Mr. Halliwell, for the committee on Municipal Finance, on the petition of J. Ellison Morse and others, a Bill to authorize the town of Danvers to make an additional water loan (Senate, No. 12);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Order Adopted.

Mr. Beck offered the following order; and, under the rule, it was referred to the committee on Rules, to wit: —

Employment
offices, —
coöperation in
finding employ-
ment for
returning
soldiers and
sailors.

Ordered, That the Director of the Bureau of Statistics be requested to investigate as to what further legislation or appropriations may be necessary or advisable in order to render the employment offices under his direction adequate to coöperate with existing agencies in finding employment for returning soldiers and sailors, and to report his recommendations to the Senate as early as practicable.

Subsequently, Mr. Beck, for the said committee, reported that the order ought to be adopted; and it was considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator, and adopted.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Metropolitan
water improve-
ments, — inter-
est on bonds.

Relative to the interest on bonds issued to provide for the completion of certain authorized improvements in the metropolitan water works (House, No. 1266, — on the petition of the Treasurer and Receiver-General, accompanied by bill, House, No. 220);

Improvement
of Neponset
River valley,
— interest on
bonds.

Relative to the rate of interest on bonds issued to provide further for the protection of the public health in the valley of Neponset River (House, No. 1267, — on the petition of the

Treasurer and Receiver-General, accompanied by bill, House, No. 221);

Relative to the rate of interest on bonds issued to provide an additional water supply for the towns of Watertown and Belmont (House, No. 1268, — on the petition of the Treasurer and Receiver-General, accompanied by bill, House, No. 222); and

Relative to the rate of interest on certain securities to be issued during the current year (House, No. 1269, — on the petition of the Treasurer and Receiver-General, accompanied by bill, House, No. 223);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

A Report of the joint committee on Ways and Means, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General on the investment and condition of the Land Registration Assurance Fund (House, No. 3), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

A preliminary report of the State Department of Health asking for an extension of time within which to report on the cost of disposal of sewage now discharged into the Mystic Lakes in the towns of Arlington and Winchester and the city of Medford (House, No. 553), — was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Health.

A House petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 814) of Harry A. Cooke relative to the compensation of justices of district, police and municipal courts, — came up, referred to the committee on Public Service.

On motion of Mr. Cavanagh, the petition was referred, in non-concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

House petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 725) of the Highway Safety League that registration of motor-vehicles and licensing of operators thereof shall be under the control of the Secretary of the Commonwealth;

To the committee on Administration and Commissions.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 726) of George H. Ellis for the appointment in certain counties of trustees for county aid to agriculture;

To the committee on Agriculture.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 570) of Frank J. Linehan that the city of Boston be authorized to pay a certain claim of the Atlas Construction Company;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 739) of S. Walter McDonough for a revision of the charter of the city of Lynn;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 740) of William L. Allen relative to appointments and removals in the police and fire departments of the city of Newton;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 741) of Matthew A. Higgins that the city of Taunton be authorized to use as a playground certain land donated for cemetery purposes; and

Watertown and Belmont water supply, — interest on bonds.

State securities to be issued in 1919, — interest.

Land Registration Assurance Fund.

State Department of Health, — purification of Mystic lakes in Arlington, Winchester and Medford.

Police, district and municipal courts, — compensation of justices.

Secretary of the Commonwealth, — licensing of motor-vehicles.

Agriculture, — trustees for county aid.

Boston, — claim of the Atlas Construction Company.

Lynn, — revision of charter.

Newton, — police and fire departments.

Taunton, — land for a playground.

Police and fire
departments, —
uniforms.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 742) of Fred J. Burrell that cities and towns be required to furnish members of their police and fire departments with uniforms;
Severally to the committee on Cities.

Norfolk
County
Agricultural
School, —
buildings.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 743) of Frank G. Allen and others that the county of Norfolk be authorized to construct additional buildings at the Norfolk County Agricultural School at Walpole;
To the committee on Education.

Official ballots,
— position of
names.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 744) of Wilbur F. Adams and others for legislation relative to the position of names of candidates on the official ballot; and

Salem, —
municipal
primary
elections.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 919) of John F. Cabeen and others relative to the holding of primary elections for the nomination of candidates for municipal offices in the city of Salem;
Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

League of
nations to
enforce peace.

Petition (accompanied by resolutions, House, No. 748) of Francis N. Balch for the passage of resolutions favoring the establishment of a league of nations to enforce peace;
To the committee on Federal Relations.

State insur-
ance system.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 753) of William I. Schell for the appointment of a special commission to recommend a system of State insurance;
To the committee on Insurance.

Fraudulent
checks, drafts
and orders.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 754) of Edward S. Underwood that obtaining money or property by fraudulent check, draft or order be made a criminal offence;

Evidence in
courts,
stenographic
transcripts.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 755) of Horace A. Edgcomb relative to the admission of stenographic transcripts as evidence in the courts of the Commonwealth;

Industrial
accidents, —
weekly
payments.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 756) of Freeman Hunt for an amendment of the law relating to the minimum weekly compensation payable to injured employees;

Industrial
accidents, —
injuries out-
side regular
employment.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 757) of Freeman Hunt for an extension of the provisions of the Workmen's Compensation Act to include compensation for injuries received outside of regular employment;

Industrial
accidents, —
bringing of
suits.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 758) of Patrick J. Melody that employees of subscribers under the Workmen's Compensation Act be permitted to bring suit in certain cases;

Food laws, —
penalty for
violation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 759) of P. M. Costello that suitable penalties be provided for violation of the law relating to food and food products;

Water ac-
counts, —
liens on real
estate.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 760) of Frederick P. Glazier that accounts due for supplying water by municipalities be made a lien on real estate;

Action on in-
surance policies,
— burden of
proof.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 761) of Harold J. Taylor relative to the burden of proof in actions on insurance policies;

- Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 762) of Harold J. Taylor relative to warranties and representations in the negotiating of policies of insurance; Insurance policies, — warranties and representations.
- Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 763) of William H. McDonnell relative to the responsibility of registered owners of motor-vehicles for injury to others; Owners of motor-vehicles, — responsibility for injury.
- Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 764) of Edwin Mulready and others relative to the penalty for violating the law regulating the employment of minors; Employment of minors, — violations of law.
- Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 765) of John F. Cronin that provision be made for recording the admission of attorneys to the bar; Attorneys, — record of admission to the bar.
- Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 766) of Francis M. Ryder relative to proceedings in the attachment of property on mesne process or trustee process; Attachment of property, — proceedings.
- Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 767) of William Sumner Appleton that provision be made for the preservation of ancient landmarks and the like; Ancient landmarks, — preservation.
- Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 768) of John W. McAnarney and others for additional compensation for the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court and the Superior Court and the judges of the Land Court; and Supreme Judicial, Superior and Land courts, — compensation of judges.
- Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 937) of Carlton W. Wonson for additional methods of guaranteeing compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Act; Industrial accidents, — additional methods of compensation.
- Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.
- Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 771) of Edwin Mulready and another that employment in certain manufacturing and working establishments be regulated further; Manufacturing establishments, — employment regulations.
- To the committee on Labor.
- Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 632) of Elihu D. Stone relative to the powers and bonds of constables in the city of Boston; Boston, — powers and bonds of constables.
- Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 772) of Frank W. Thayer for legislation relative to theatres and places of public amusement; Theatres and places of amusement.
- Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 773) of Barnet Lerner relative to the temporary suspension of the licenses of junk dealers; Junk dealers, — suspension of licenses.
- Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 774) of Barnet Lerner that persons licensed as junk dealers shall be legal residents; Junk dealers, — legal residents.
- Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 775) of Frederick P. Glazier for the licensing of public garages; Public garages, — licensing.
- Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 776) of A. C. Webber for an amendment of the law relative to the fees for entering actions and filing petitions in the courts of the Commonwealth; Entering actions and filing petitions, — fees.
- Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 777) of Albert J. Sargent and another relative to the commitment and transfer of dipsomaniacs and others; and Dipsomaniacs and others, — commitment and transfer.

Superior Court,
— commitment
of feeble-
minded
prisoners.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 778) of John P. Manning relative to the commitment of feeble-minded prisoners by the Superior Court;
Severally to the committee on Legal Affairs.

Theatres, etc.,
— sale of
tickets.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 634) of Philip J. Feinberg for regulation of the sale of tickets of admission to theatres and other places of amusement;

First Parish
Church in
Dorchester, —
conveyance of
property.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 779) of N. Winthrop Robinson and another that the First Parish Church in Dorchester be authorized to convey its property to the First Parish in Dorchester;

Goods for ex-
port, — mark-
ing.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 780) of Fred J. Burrell for legislation to require the marking of goods intended for export;

Stationary
engines, —
licenses.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 781) of John R. Lees relative to granting licenses to operate stationary engines;

Bread, — man-
ufacture and
sale.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 782) of James W. Hayes for an amendment of the law relative to the manufacture and sale of bread;

Motion picture
machines, —
acetate films.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 783) of Francis B. McKinney that the use of acetate films in the operation of motion picture machines be made compulsory;

Coal, — stand-
ards of quality.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 784) of Frank Mulveny for the fixing by the Commissioner of Standards of standards of quality of coal sold within the Commonwealth; and

Episcopal City
Missions.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 785) of William E. Lawrence and others relative to the amount of property to be owned and held by the Episcopal City Missions;

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Nahant, —
playground
and public
landing.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 786) of John H. Cogswell that the Metropolitan Park Commission be authorized to complete the playground on the shore of Lynn Harbor in the town of Nahant, to construct a public landing and make other improvements;

Lynn Harbor,
— dredging;
improvement
of uplands.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 787) of John H. Cogswell and another that the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands be authorized to dredge flats in Lynn Harbor and to develop the uplands adjacent thereto;

Broad Canal
in Cambridge,
— sea-wall.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 788) of Edward W. Quinn, mayor of the city of Cambridge, that the Metropolitan Park Commission be authorized to rebuild a certain sea-wall on Broad Canal in the city of Cambridge;

Augustus C.
Holton, —
metropolitan
park police.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 789) of George Lyman Rogers that the Metropolitan Park Commission be authorized to appoint Augustus C. Holton as a permanent police officer;

Arlington, —
improvement
of metropolitan
park land.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 790) of Willis P. Howard and others that the Metropolitan Park Commission be authorized to complete the improvement of certain land given to the Commonwealth by the town of Arlington;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 791) of Frank W. Thayer relative to the use of shingles in the city of Boston; Boston, — use of shingles.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 792) of Frank H. Cowin that the finance commission of the city of Boston be abolished or reorganized; and Boston, — abolition of finance commission.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 793) of George C. Fitzpatrick for compensation for the taking of land for the Jeffries Point improvement in East Boston; George C. Fitzpatrick, — Jeffries Point improvement.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 649) of Otis Clapp relative to the amount to be allowed for the burial of indigent soldiers and sailors; and Indigent soldiers and sailors, — burial allowances.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 650) of Daniel D. Brouthers relative to the eligibility of widows of civil war veterans to soldiers' relief in certain cases; Widows of civil war veterans, — soldiers' relief.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 660) of William J. Manning and another for the widening of L Street in the city of Boston; and Boston, — widening of L Street.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 661) of Chester B. Williams and others that the town of Wayland be authorized to refund certain indebtedness; Wayland, — refunding of indebtedness.

Severally to the committee on Municipal Finance.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 662) of John M. Gibbs that cities and towns be reimbursed for expenses incurred in the erection and maintenance of temporary hospitals during the influenza epidemic; Municipal expenditures during the influenza epidemic, — reimbursement.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 663) of John R. Nelson relative to the abatement by the State Department of Health of the nuisance now existing at Spectacle Island in Boston Harbor; Spectacle Island in Boston Harbor, — abatement of nuisance.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 664) of Enos H. Bigelow relative to exemption from vaccination of certain children in public and private schools; Certain children, — exemption from vaccination.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 799) of A. C. Webber that the operation of the law relative to the sale and distribution of narcotic drugs be made to include paregoric and similar preparations; Narcotic drug law, — paregoric and similar preparations.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 800) of Edwin Mulready and others relative to the approval of receptacles for expectoration in factories and workshops; and Factories and workshops, — receptacles for expectoration.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 801) of William D. Lambert and others that boating and fishing be permitted in certain ponds in the city of Haverhill and the towns of Groveland and Boxford; Haverhill, Groveland and Boxford, — fishing in ponds.

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 665) of William J. Bullock and others relative to the transfer of prisoners from jails and houses of correction; and Transfer of prisoners.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 666) of John R. Hudson for the payment of a sum of money to James V. Hennessey of Concord; James V. Hennessey of Concord, —

compensation
for injuries.

nessey of Concord on account of injuries received by him while in the performance of his duty at the Massachusetts Reformatory;

Severally to the committee on Public Institutions.

Gas and elec-
tricity, —
price and
quality.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 668) of William Plattner relative to the price and quality of gas and electricity; and

Public and
private gas
plants, — cost
of acquisition.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 803) of George A. Lancaster for the appointment of a special commission to ascertain the value of all public and private gas plants and the probable cost to the Commonwealth of acquiring the same;

Severally to the committee on Public Lighting.

Lieutenant-
Governor, —
salary.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 669) of Albert L. Whitman that the salary of the Lieutenant-Governor be established;

Councillors, —
salaries.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 670) of Albert L. Whitman that the salaries of the members of the Council be established;

Bureau of
Prisons, —
salary of agent
for discharged
female pris-
oners.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 687) of John R. Hudson that the salary of the agent of the Massachusetts Bureau of Prisons for aiding discharged female prisoners be regulated;

Northern and
western dis-
tricts, —
assistant dis-
trict attorneys.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 690) of Frederick W. Fosdick for the establishment of the offices of second assistant district attorney for the northern district and assistant district attorney for the western district, and that salaries for said offices be fixed;

State Aid and
Pensions, —
salary of
special agent.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 804) of L. F. Hanson that the salary of the special agent of the Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions be established;

State Prison
and Massa-
chusetts
Reformatory, —
salaries of
clerks.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 805) of Jacob Bitzer that the salaries of the clerks at the State Prison and the Massachusetts Reformatory be regulated;

Legislative
document
clerk, — salary.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 806) of Claude L. Allen and another that the salary of the clerk in charge of the legislative document room be established;

Supervisor of
Loan Agencies,
— salary of
accountant.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 807) of Bernard I. McManus that the salary of the accountant in the department of the Supervisor of Loan Agencies be established;

Advisory
Board of
Pardons, —
salary of
agent.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 808) of Parker D. Morris that the salary of the agent of the Advisory Board of Pardons be established;

Middlesex
County assist-
ant register of
deeds, —
salary.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 809) of John H. Hurley and others that the salary of the assistant register of deeds for the southern district of the county of Middlesex be established;

Middlesex
County, —
additional
assistant clerks
of courts.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 810) of William H. Wilson for the appointment of additional assistant clerks of courts in the county of Middlesex;

Middlesex
County, —
salary of
William C.
Dillingham.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 811) of William H. Wilson that the salary of William C. Dillingham as clerk of courts for the county of Middlesex be established;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 812) of Charles S. Barter and others that the salary of the clerk of the Superior Court for civil business in the county of Suffolk be increased;

Suffolk County Superior Court, — salary of clerk.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 813) of Francis A. Campbell for the appointment of an additional assistant clerk of the Superior Court for civil business for the county of Suffolk; and

Suffolk County Superior Court, — additional assistant clerk.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 815) of Wilfred Bolster and others that the salary of the messenger of the municipal court of the city of Boston be increased;

Boston municipal court, — salary of messenger.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 697) of Harry A. Cooke for the discontinuance of the publication containing the rules, notes of rulings and committees of the General Court and providing in its place a book containing portraits and biographical sketches of State officers and members of the General Court;

State officers and legislators, — portraits and biographies.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 698) of Frank H. Cowin relative to the salaries and compensation for travel of members of the General Court; and

Members of the General Court, — salaries and mileage.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 699) of Albert L. Whitman relative to the compensation of the members of the General Court;

Id.

Severally to the joint committee on Rules.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 701) of Edward J. Cox relative to pensioning certain employees of the city of Boston;

Boston, — pensioning of employees.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 702) of Thomas F. Donovan that the amount of the pension allowed to laborers retired from the employ of the city of Boston be increased;

Id.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 704) of John D. W. Bodfish that provision be made for the relief of the needy blind;

Needy blind, — relief.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 705) of John D. W. Bodfish for the registration of the blind;

Blind, — registration.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 706) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for further regulation of the issuance of employment certificates to children under sixteen years of age; and

Children under sixteen, — employment certificates.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 707) of James H. Wilkins relative to the care and maintenance of dependent poor in certain towns;

Towns, — care of dependant poor.

Severally to the committee on Social Welfare.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 708) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to the authority of the trustees of the Boston Public Library to take and hold real and personal property; and

Trustees of the Boston Public Library, — holding of property.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 709) of R. L. Bridgman and others for the installation of an additional elevator in the State House;

State House, — additional elevator.

Severally to the committee on State House and Libraries.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 710) of James J. Mellen for legislation to prohibit the overcrowding of cars of street and elevated railway companies;

Street and elevated railway cars, — overcrowding.

Street rail-
ways, — public
ownership.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 832) of Frank A. Manning that provision be made for public ownership of street railway companies; and

Street rail-
ways, —
referendum
on public
ownership.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 833) of Frank A. Manning for a referendum on the question of public ownership and operation of street railways;

Severally to the committee on Street Railways.

Buildings,
land improve-
ments and
land sites, —
separate assess-
ment.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 711) of the Massachusetts Single Tax League for the separate assessment of buildings, land improvements and the site value of land;

Mary H.
Morse of
Lancaster,
— tax refund.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 712) of George F. Morse, Jr., that Mary H. Morse of Lancaster be reimbursed for a sum of money paid by her through an error in an income tax;

Estates of
deceased per-
sons, —
taxation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 713) of B. L. Young for a more uniform and equitable taxation of the estates of deceased persons;

Estate of
Thomas J.
Taylor, — re-
imbursement.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 834) of Martin Taylor that the executor of the estate of Thomas J. Taylor be reimbursed for payment on a legacy which was exempt from taxation;

Public adver-
tising, —
taxation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 835) of Frank W. Thayer for legislation to regulate advertising in public places;

Tax warrants,
— signing.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 836) of Charles B. Palmer relative to the signing of tax warrants;

Foreign
trustees, —
income tax
abatements.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 837) of George C. Coit relative to the refunding or abating of certain taxes on income received from foreign trustees; and

Certain
personal prop-
erty, — tax
exemption.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 839) of the Massachusetts Assessors Association that certain personal property be exempt from taxation;

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Watertown, —
inspection of
wiring and
plumbing.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 714) of the selectmen of the town of Watertown that the inspection of wires in buildings and of plumbing in said town be placed under the control of the inspector of buildings;

Watertown, —
listing of
voters.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 715) of the selectmen of the town of Watertown relative to the listing of voters in said town;

Small towns, —
registering of
voters.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 716) of John B. Watson and another that the hours for registering voters in small towns be restricted;

Hull, — Joseph
E. Hannigan.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 840) of the selectmen of the town of Hull that said town be authorized to compensate Joseph E. Hannigan for injuries sustained while in the employ of said town;

Arlington police
department, —
Edward T.
Ryan.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 841) of Edward T. Ryan that he be reinstated in the police department of the town of Arlington; and

Town clerks
and treasurers,
— terms of
office.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 842) of William J. Naphen relative to the terms of office of town clerks and treasurers;

Severally to the committee on Towns.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 717) of the board of **water** commissioners of the town of North Attleborough and **another** that said town be authorized to supply the town of Plainville with water; North Attleborough, — water for Plainville.

To the committee on Water Supply.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 718) of Elmer L. Briggs that the Pilgrim Tercentenary Commission be authorized to acquire land and make improvements in and about the town of Plymouth; Plymouth, — tercentenary improvements.

To the joint committee on Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Nichols, at twenty-nine minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, January 23, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Honorable Allen T. Treadway.

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The Honorable Allen T. Treadway, member of Congress from the First Massachusetts District and formerly President of the Massachusetts Senate, being in the Senate Chamber, was presented by the President and briefly addressed the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

Boston Elevated Railway Company; West End Street Railway Company, — names of stockholders.

By Mr. Eames, for the committee on Rules, that the Senate Order that the Public Service Commission furnish to the Senate on or before the thirty-first day of January, nineteen hundred and nineteen, correct lists containing the names and addresses of the stockholders of the Boston Elevated Railway Company, and of the West End Street Railway Company, and the number of shares held by each stockholder, and also correct lists of the bondholders of said companies, with their addresses and holdings, in so far as they can be ascertained by the commission, — ought NOT to be adopted (Mr. Mahoney, dissenting);

Read, and the order placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on adopting it.

Middlesex County probate court, — sittings.

By Mr. Perrin, for the committee on Legal Affairs, on the petition of George M. Poland and another, a Bill relative to sittings of the probate court for the county of Middlesex (printed as House, No. 481);

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Business corporations, — representation of employees on board of directors.

By Mr. Knox, for the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 109) of Augustus P. Loring that business corporations be authorized to provide for representation of their employees on the board of directors; and

Real estate, — rental charges.

By Mr. Tarbell, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 122) of Thomas A. Niland relative to rental charges for real estate;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Communication from the Treasurer and Receiver-General.

Treasurer and Receiver-General, — disbursements to certain real-

A communication from the Treasurer and Receiver-General in response to an order adopted by the Senate, January 17, 1919, relative to disbursements to certain Massachusetts residents in

the service of the United States, — was received and was placed on file. dents in service of the United States.

On motion of Mr. Kearney, the communication was ordered to be printed as a Senate document (Senate, No. 290).

Petitions.

Mr. Cronin presented a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 289) of John Cronin that the city of Holyoke be authorized to pay a sum of money to the mother of James Walsh; and the petition was referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. Beck, to the committee on Cities. Holyoke, — mother of James Walsh.

Sent down for concurrence.

Petitions (having been deposited in the office of the Clerk priorly to 5 o'clock in the afternoon of Saturday, January 11) were severally presented and referred as follows: — Boston Elevated Railway Company, — rental of certain structures.

By Mr. Nichols, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 287) of Clifton Loring that provision be made for fixing the rental to be paid by the Boston Elevated Railway Company for structures authorized for its use;

Under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, moved by Mr. Beck, to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

By Mr. Reed, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 288) of Silas D. Reed that the cities and towns in which the Norton and Taunton Street Railway is located be authorized to acquire, operate and manage said railway; Norton and Taunton Street Railway Company.

Under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, moved by the same Senator, to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Orders.

Mr. Churchill offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —

Ordered, That the committee on Education be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the cities of Boston, Fall River, Fitchburg and New Bedford and the towns of Amherst, Dighton, Framingham and Walpole on or before March 1, 1919. Committee on Education, — travel.

Mr. Beck offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —

Ordered, That the joint committee on Public Lighting be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the city of Taunton, on or before February 8. Committee on Public Lighting, — travel.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

**Millicent
Library
Corporation
Fund.**

A Report of the committee on State House and Libraries, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Commissioners of the Millicent Library Corporation Fund (House, No. 2), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

**Motor-Vehicle
Commission.**

A House petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 819) of the Highway Safety League relative to the creation of a Motor-Vehicle Commission, — came up, referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

On motion of Mr. Hobbs, the petition was referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Administration and Commissions.

Sent down for concurrence.

**School attend-
ance and em-
ployment of
minors.**

A House petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 825) of Edwin Mulready and others for an amendment of the law relative to school attendance and to the employment of minors, — came up, referred to the committee on Social Welfare.

On motion of Mr. Churchill, the petition was referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Education.

Sent down for concurrence.

**Boston Ele-
vated Railway
system, —
public support
and State pur-
chase of the
Cambridge
subway.**

A petition (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 721 and 722) of the Board of Trustees of the Boston Elevated Railway Company for the purchase by the Commonwealth of the Cambridge subway and its connections, and for the assumption of the subway rentals and taxes payable by the Boston Elevated Railway Company by the communities which said company serves (having been deposited in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, under the provisions of section 7 of chapter 3 of the Revised Laws), — was referred, in concurrence, to the committees on Street Railways and Metropolitan Affairs, sitting jointly.

House petitions and resolutions were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

**Civil Service
Commission.**

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 724) of Frank H. Cowin that the Civil Service Commission be abolished or re-organized; and

**Civil Service
Commission, —
methods and
management.**

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 901) of M. A. O'Brien, Jr., and another for an investigation of methods and management in the department of the Civil Service Commission; Severally to the committee on Administration and Commissions.

**Savings banks,
— limit of
loans on real
estate.**

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 903) of Jacob Tarplin that savings banks be required to limit their loans on real estate;

**Boston Five
Cents Savings
Bank, — addi-
tional property.**

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 904) of The Boston Five Cents Savings Bank and another that said institution be authorized to hold additional real estate; and

**Trust com-
panies, — in-
vestments.**

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 905) of William A. Lincoln and others that trust companies be authorized to invest

in bonds of the United States and of the Commonwealth and certificates of indebtedness of the United States;

Severally to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 906) of Harvey E. Sleeper relative to the restriction of sale of farm produce in the city of Boston;

Boston. — sale of farm produce.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 907) of Frank H. Cowin relative to the establishment of a two-platoon system in the fire department of the city of Boston and to the compensation of members of said department;

Boston fire department, — two-platoon system and compensation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 908) of Frederic F. Clauss that the city of Cambridge be authorized to pension Ferdinand M. Buffum; and

Cambridge, — pension for Ferdinand M. Buffum.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 909) of Francis A. McLaughlin for determination of his rating as a member of the police department of the city of Cambridge;

Cambridge police department, — Francis A. McLaughlin.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 911) of John F. Merrill that the county of Norfolk be authorized to construct buildings and purchase machinery for the operation of the farm connected with the house of correction at Walpole;

Norfolk County, — buildings and machinery for county farm.

To the committee on Counties.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 915) of Cornelius F. Haley relative to the renomination of candidates for State offices;

Candidates for State offices, — renomination.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 917) of Benjamin C. Lane relative to the furnishing of additional information regarding candidates for elective offices; and

Candidates for elective offices, — information.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 918) of Melvin B. Breath for an amendment of the charter of the city of Chelsea in respect to the nomination of candidates for election to office;

Chelsea, — nominations for municipal offices.

Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

Resolutions relative to the establishment of a Jewish home land in Palestine and the protection of Jewish rights and liberties in the settlement of the European war (House, No. 723);

Jewish home land in Palestine.

Petition (accompanied by resolutions, House, No. 922) of Benjamin C. Lane for Federal legislation relative to the cost of staple foods;

Cost of staple foods, — federal action.

Petition (accompanied by resolutions, House, No. 923) of Benjamin C. Lane for Federal legislation relative to the termination of war contracts;

War contracts, — termination.

Petition (accompanied by resolutions, House, No. 924) of Frank Mulveny that Congress be requested to place a prohibitive tax on articles in the manufacture of which women or children have been employed more than forty-eight hours a week;

Tax on articles made by women and children working more than 48 hours a week.

Petition (accompanied by resolutions, House, No. 925) of Elihu D. Stone that Congress be requested to provide for a uniform eight-hour day in all industries; and

Uniform eight-hour day.

Petition (accompanied by resolutions, House, No. 926) of Elihu D. Stone that Congress be requested to provide for a uniform eight-hour day for all industrial workers;

Severally to the committee on Federal Relations.

Equitable
process after
judgment, —
burden of
proof.
Seamen and
fishermen, —
insurance
against injury.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 939) of Carlton W. Wonson relative to the burden of proof in hearings in equitable process after judgment; and

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 940) of Carlton W. Wonson that employers of seamen and fishermen be compelled to insure their employees against personal injury;

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Taxicabs and
hackney vehi-
cles, —
licensing.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 941) of John J. Carey relative to the fees to be paid for the licensing of taxicabs and other motor-vehicles used as hackney carriages;

Boston, —
hackney
stands.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 942) of John J. Carey relative to the establishment and regulation of hackney stands in the city of Boston;

Municipal
office holders,
— local
residents.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 943) of Thomas H. Bates that persons holding municipal offices be required to reside in the city or town in which they are employed; and

Fur-bearing
animals in
captivity, —
protection.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 944) of John C. Gordon relative to the protection of foxes and other fur-bearing animals kept in captivity;

Severally to the committee on Legal Affairs.

Marlborough
Building
Association.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 950) of R. H. Beaudreau and another for an extension of the charter of the Marlborough Building Association;

Junk and in-
flammable ma-
terial, — stor-
age.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 953) of Frank H. Cowin relative to the storage of junk and inflammable material; and

Police depart-
ments, — juris-
diction over
places of
amusement.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 954) of Albert L. Whitman that theatres, halls and other places of amusement be placed under the jurisdiction of police departments;

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Mystic Lakes,
— protection
of banks.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 955) of Jacob Bitzer and others that the Metropolitan Park Commission be authorized to protect the banks of the Mystic Lakes in the towns of Arlington and Winchester and the city of Medford;

Boston city
councilmen, —
terms of office.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 956) of James H. Brennan relative to the terms of office of councilmen in the city of Boston; and

Middlesex Fells
Reservation
and certain
parkways, —
connecting
roads.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 957) of William A. Kneeland that the Metropolitan Park Commission be authorized to connect the south and east border roads and the Whitmore Brook entrance road of Middlesex Fells Reservation with Middlesex Fells and Mystic Valley Parkways;

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Carcasses of
calves, — sale
as food.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 798) of James W. Hayes for legislation relative to the weight of carcasses of calves offered for sale as food;

To the committee on Public Health.

State Infirm-
ary, —
persons with
incurable
diseases.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 802) of Frederick P. Glazier relative to the commitment to the State Infirmary of certain persons afflicted with incurable diseases;

To the committee on Public Institutions.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 977) of James W. Bean that the salaries of the justices of the probate court of the county of Middlesex be established;

Middlesex probate court judges, — salaries.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 979) of John I. Fitzgerald relative to the salaries of William F. Blakeman and Frederick Dillon, employees of the clerk of the municipal court for civil business for the city of Boston; and

Boston municipal court, — salaries of William F. Blakeman and Frederick Dillon.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 980) of John I. Fitzgerald for a temporary increase of salary for certain county employees;

County employees, — temporary increase of salaries.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 820) of the Highway Safety League relative to the examination of applicants for licenses to operate motor-vehicles;

Operators of motor-vehicles, — examination.

To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 821) of James A. Watson that the city of Boston be authorized to provide housing facilities for its inhabitants;

Boston, — housing facilities.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 822) of Robert T. Fowler that provision be made for the retirement of attendance officers and other employees in the city of Boston;

Boston attendance officers and others, — retirement.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 823) of Robert T. Fowler that provision be made for homesteads for citizens of the Commonwealth;

Homesteads for citizens.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 824) of William H. McDonnell that the city of Boston be authorized to pay annuities to widows and orphans of employees of the police and fire departments of said city fatally injured in the discharge of their duties;

Boston, — annuities for families of policemen and firemen.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 826) of Edwin Mulready and others that the operation of elevators by minors under sixteen years of age be prohibited;

Elevators, — operation by minors.

Petition (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 828 and 829) of G. E. Wire for an extension of the retirement system for county employees so as to include employees of the Worcester County Law Library Association; and

Worcester County Law Library Association, — county retirement system.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 830) of J. D. Pearmain and others for an appropriation to enable the State Forester, the Metropolitan Park Commission and other State departments to furnish employment for needy persons;

Needy persons, — employment by the Commonwealth.

Severally to the committee on Social Welfare.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 831) of John C. Twomey and others for an amendment of the law permitting the use as common carriers of motor-vehicles not running on rails or tracks;

Motor-vehicles, — common carriers.

To the committee on Street Railways.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1136) of the chairman of the Boston School Committee relative to the transportation of pupils in the city of Boston by the Boston Elevated Railway Company;

Boston Elevated Railway Company, — transportation of pupils in Boston.

Under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

Dealers in intangibles, — taxation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 838) of George A. Rich relative to the taxation of persons engaged in the business of dealing in intangible personal property;
To the committee on Taxation.

Revere, — water for Saugus.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 843) of Roscoe Walsworth and another that the city of Revere be authorized to discontinue supplying water to the town of Saugus;
To the committee on Water Supply.

Mystic River, — development.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 844) of Fred J. Burrell for the appointment of a board to investigate and report measures for the development of the Mystic River;

Elevated structure in Boston, — use for railroad equipment.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 845) of D. F. Reardon for an investigation by the Public Service Commission as to the feasibility of using the elevated structure in Atlantic Avenue in the city of Boston for carrying railroad equipment; and

Boston, — delays in handling freight.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 846) of D. F. Reardon for an investigation by the Public Service Commission as to delays in handling freight in the city of Boston;

Severally to the committee on Waterways and Terminals.

Plymouth, — tercentenary celebration.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 847) of Anson B. Edgerly that provision be made for a suitable celebration of the tercentenary anniversary of the landing of the Pilgrims at Plymouth;

To the joint committee on Ways and Means.

The following House order was considered, to wit: —

Public Service Commission, — report on the street railway situation.

Ordered, That the Public Service Commission survey the street railway situation of the Commonwealth, and report on or before February 15, 1919, the amount of the deficiency in the revenue of the said street railways, the amount of taxes and other public charges paid by them, and what, if any, part of the deficiency should be met by remission of taxes and other public charges and by appropriations of money, coupled with public control, by the localities and the Commonwealth in order to keep necessary transportation facilities in operation; also that the commission formulate one or more definite propositions embodying the recommendations in its annual report relative to street railways, and submit estimates of the cost thereof. The commission is also requested to report such other recommendations as to it seem proper in the premises.

On motion of Mr. Beck, the order was amended by adding at the end thereof the following: —

“In the consideration of the foregoing questions as applicable to the Bay State Street Railway Company or a successor company and in any recommendation in relation thereto the commission shall act jointly with the trustees appointed under the provisions of chapter 188 of the Acts of the year 1918.”

The order was then adopted, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The bills

To authorize the town of Danvers to make an additional water loan (Senate, No. 12);

To authorize the city of Boston to pay an annuity to the widow of Patrick Carr (Senate, No. 285); and

To authorize the city of Boston to pay an annual pension to John Collins (Senate, No. 286);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The House Bill relative to the interest on bonds issued to provide for the completion of certain authorized improvements in the metropolitan water works (House, No. 1266), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Metropolitan water improvements, — interest on bonds.

The House Bill relative to the rate of interest on bonds issued to provide further for the protection of the public health in the valley of Neponset River (House, No. 1267), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Improvement of Neponset River Valley, — interest on bonds.

The House Bill relative to the rate of interest on bonds issued to provide an additional water supply for the towns of Watertown and Belmont (House, No. 1268), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Watertown and Belmont water supply, — interest on bonds.

The House Bill relative to the rate of interest on certain securities to be issued during the current year (House, No. 1269), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

State securities to be issued in 1919, — interest.

The House Report of the joint committee on Ways and Means, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General on the investment and condition of the Land Registration Assurance Fund (House, No. 3), — was accepted, in concurrence.

House report.

On motion of Mr. Brown, at ten minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

FRIDAY, January 24, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Honorable Martin Burrill, Secretary of State for the Dominion of Canada.

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Canada.

The Honorable Martin Burrill, Secretary of State for the Dominion of Canada, being in the Senate Chamber, was presented by the President and addressed the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

Suffolk
County, —
trustees for
county aid for
agriculture.

By Mr. Smith, for the committee on Agriculture, on the petition of James J. Storrow, a Bill to provide for the appointment in the county of Suffolk of trustees for county aid for agriculture (printed as House, No. 148);

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Public Service
Commission, —
survey of
street railway
situation.

By Mr. McLane, for the joint committee on Rules, that the Senate Order that the Public Service Commission be requested to make a survey of the street railway situation, and report to the present General Court, not later than February tenth, the amount of deficiency in revenue and the amount of taxes and other public charges paid, — ought not to be adopted;

Read, and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator, and rejected, as had been recommended by the joint committee on Rules.

Committee Discharged.

Pilgrim
Highway.

Mr. McLane, for the joint committee on Rules, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Senate Order that the Massachusetts Highway Commission be requested to prepare an estimate of the cost of constructing that portion of the proposed Pilgrim Highway, so designated in plans on file with the Pilgrim Tercentenary Commission, running from Atlantic to the Fore River bridge, and to accompany said estimate with such recommendations as may seem advisable, reporting to the current session of the General Court not later than the fifteenth day of April, nineteen hundred and nineteen, — and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

The report was read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence in the reference.

Reconsideration.

On motion of Mr. Beck, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the House Bill relative to the rate of interest on bonds issued to provide an additional water supply for the towns of Watertown and Belmont (House, No. 1268).

State securities
to be issued in
1919, — interest.

Pending the recurring question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, it was amended, on further motion of the same Senator, by adding at the end of section 1 the words "The bonds issued under this act shall be designated on the face thereof 'Metropolitan Water Loan'".

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Curran, —

Ordered, That a joint special committee, consisting of five members of the Senate, to be designated by the President, and ten members of the House of Representatives, to be designated by the Speaker, be appointed to act in conjunction with the Massachusetts Committee to Welcome Returning Soldiers, Sailors and Marines, appointed by the Governor.

Welcome of
returning
soldiers,
sailors and
marines, —
legislative
committee.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill to authorize cities and towns to appropriate money to celebrate the return of soldiers and sailors (House, No. 1276, amended, — on the petition of the selectmen of Wakefield, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1135); and

Municipal cele-
brations for
returning
soldiers and
sailors.

A Resolve confirming the acts of J. Joseph Cooper of Brockton as a notary public (House, No. 21, on the petition of the same);

J. Joseph
Cooper.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Reports

Of the joint committee on Rules, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 39) of Thomas A. Niland that the Public Service Commission be required to notify members of the General Court of hearings on matters affecting the interests of their districts, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Legal Affairs;

Public Service
Commission,
— notice to
legislators of
hearings.

Of the joint committee on Rules, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 529) of Arthur N. Newhall relative to the salaries and compensation for travel of members of the General Court, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Public Service; and

General Court,
— salaries and
mileage of
members.

Of the joint committee on Rules, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill,

House, No. 530) of Fitz-Henry Smith, Jr., and others relative to the amount of mileage allowed to members of the General Court, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Public Service;

Were severally read and accepted, in concurrence.

Chief of the
District Police.

So much of the recommendations of the Chief of the District Police (House, No. 867) as does not relate to facilities for the enforcement of law and prevention of crime in the waters of the Commonwealth, and to the appointment of additional boiler inspectors, — was referred, in concurrence (accompanied by bills, House, No. 869, 870 and 872), to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

State Board
of Charity.

So much of the recommendations of the State Board of Charity (House, No. 849) as relates to the approval of the incorporation of charitable corporations (accompanied by bill, House, No. 851), — was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Institutions.

Boston, —
taxes.

The Senate petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 214) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to taxes in the said city (referred by the Senate to the committee on Taxation), — came up, referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

The Senate receded from its reference, on motion of Mr. Smith, and concurred in the reference to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Agricultural
resources, —
development.

House petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —
Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 102) of Roland D. Sawyer for a board or commission to develop and utilize the agricultural resources of the Commonwealth;

To the committee on Agriculture.

Coöperative
banks, — loans
and invest-
ments.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 902) of George H. Wyman and others relative to loans and investments of coöperative banks and to provide for the issuance of certain paid-up certificates;

To the committee on Banks and Banking.

Bristol County,
— confinement
of prisoners.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 910) of Richard E. Warner and another, county commissioners, relative to the purchase of land and the construction of buildings in the county of Bristol for the confinement of prisoners;

To the committee on Counties.

Minors, — at-
tendance at
continuation
schools.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 913) of George S. Haddock and another for the exemption of certain minors from attendance at continuation schools;

To the committee on Education.

Municipal
elections, —
questions of
public policy.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 916) of the Association of Real Estate Owners of Fall River relative to submitting to the voters at municipal elections certain questions of public policy; and

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 920) of Addison P. Burnham and others relative to the assessment of poll-taxes and registration of voters in the city of Gloucester;
 Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

Gloucester, —
 assessment of
 poll-taxes and
 registration of
 voters.

Petition (accompanied by resolutions, House, No. 921) of Charles S. Rackemann relative to the revocation of the resolution ratifying the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to intoxicating liquors;
 To the committee on Federal Relations.

National pro-
 hibition, —
 revocation of
 action.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 928) of Benjamin G. Collins that the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game be authorized to lease Tisbury Great Pond in the town of West Tisbury; and

Tisbury Great
 Pond in West
 Tisbury, —
 lease.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 929) of George M. Worrall relative to the open season for rabbits in the county of Bristol;

Bristol County,
 — open season
 for rabbits.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 930) of Victor Francis Jewett for an extension of the time for the improvement of navigation in the Merrimack River; and

Merrimack
 River, — im-
 provement of
 navigation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 931) of Bancroft L. Goodwin and another for legislation to require the construction of paths or trails for the carrying of boats or canoes around dams and other obstructions in navigable streams;

Dams and ob-
 structions in
 streams, —
 canoe paths.

Severally to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 932) of James Lamont Pugh relative to policies of life insurance and to the prevention of losses by fire;

Life insur-
 ance policies,
 — losses by
 fire.

To the committee on Insurance.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 933) of J. Frank Chase for better moral protection for working women and girls under twenty-one years of age;

Working
 women and
 girls, —
 protection.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 934) of The Massachusetts Prison Association for the extension of provisions of law relative to furnishing lists of jurors and witnesses for the defense in felony cases;

Defense in
 felony cases, —
 lists of jurors
 and witnesses.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 935) of Renton Whidden relative to the incorporation of labor-unions;

Labor-unions,
 — incorpora-
 tion.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 936) of Carlton W. Wonson for the establishment of a State insurance fund and for compulsory participation by employers in the Workmen's Compensation Act; and

Industrial ac-
 cidents, —
 State insur-
 ance fund.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 938) of Carlton W. Wonson relative to liens of workmen and subcontractors for labor and materials on buildings and land;

Workmen and
 subcontractors,
 — liens.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 945) of Arthur J. Davis and another relative to the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors;

Liquor licenses,
 — repeal of
 statute.

Election days, — ringing of bells. Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 946) of Philip Emerson that provision be made for the ringing of bells on municipal and State election days;

Traverse jurors, — length of service. Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 947) of Francis A. Seaman and others relative to the length of service of traverse jurors; and

Support of minor children, — actions. Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 949) of Theodore A. Lothrop and others relative to actions for the support of minor children;

Severally to the committee on Legal Affairs.

Gasoline, — sale. Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 951) of O. C. Bidwell for legislation to regulate the sale of gasoline; and

Ice cream and oysters, — legal containers. Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 952) of Charles P. Murray relative to legalizing the use of certain containers as measures for ice cream and oysters;

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Boston, — construction and widening of highways. Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 964) of William J. McDonald and others that the city of Boston construct a public way from a point near the corner of Tremont and Eliot streets to a point near the corner of Washington and Avery streets;

Chelsea, — refunding of indebtedness. Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 967) of Melvin B. Breath that the city of Chelsea be authorized to refund certain indebtedness; and

Boston, Chelsea, Everett and Winthrop, — cost of bridges. Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 968) of Louis R. Kiernan and another relative to the cost of construction and maintenance of the bridges between the cities of Boston, Chelsea and Everett and the town of Winthrop;

Severally to the committee on Municipal Finance.

Committee on Public Institutions, — State acquisition of Camp Devens cantonment. Petition (accompanied by order, House, No. 48) of Roland D. Sawyer for an investigation by the committee on Public Institutions of the desirability and possibility of the Commonwealth securing the Camp Devens cantonment in Ayer as a home for State institutions;

To the committee on Public Institutions.

Middlesex clerk of probate, — salary. Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 978) of Arthur K. Reading that the salary of the clerk in the probate office for the county of Middlesex be established;

To the committee on Public Service.

Boston and vicinity, — electrification of railroads. Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 988) of Frank B. Phinney for an investigation by the Public Service Commission of the question of electrifying railroads running to or from the South Terminal Station in the city of Boston; and

Railroads and railways, — existing relations. Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 989) of D. F. Reardon for an investigation by the Public Service Commission of the relations existing between railroads and railways in this Commonwealth;

Severally to the committee on Railroads.

State reconstruction commission. Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 101) of William H. Hearn for the establishment of a reconstruction commission to act for the Commonwealth; and

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 990) of William Plattner that gratuities be paid to soldiers, sailors, marines and nurses of the European war; Soldiers, sailors, marines and nurses, — gratuities.

Severally to the committee on Reconstruction.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 993) of George L. Ellsworth relative to the use of aircraft; Aircraft.

To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 827) of Edward F. McLaughlin for an amendment of the law relative to the working hours of women and children; and Women and children, — working hours.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 995) of Wendell Phillips Thoré and another for the establishment of a system of old age pensions and other protection against want; Old age pensions.

Severally to the committee on Social Welfare.

The following House order was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs: —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs investigate the question of the regulation of the sale of tickets by theatres and other places of public entertainment and amusement, and by speculators in the city of Boston, and report to the General Court such recommendations as it may deem advisable to prevent the continuance of abuses under existing conditions. Committee on Mercantile Affairs, — sale of tickets to theatres and other places of amusement.

The following House orders were referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Street Railways, to wit: —

Ordered, That the Board of Trustees of the Boston Elevated Railway Company be requested to furnish the General Court, forthwith, a statement of the financial condition of the Boston Elevated Railway Company at the time the said board assumed control of said company, and a like statement as of January 1, 1919; Boston Elevated Railway Company, — financial condition, alternate system of fares, and physical valuation of property.

Also, that the said board be requested to furnish the General Court, forthwith, an alternative system of rates of fares for transportation of passengers to the various points reached by said railway, as submitted by the experts employed by the said trustees to study this question;

Also, that the said board be requested to furnish the General Court, forthwith, an itemized physical valuation report of all used and unused property, real and other, owned, directly or indirectly, by the Boston Elevated Railway Company on January 1, 1919.

Ordered, That the transit department of the city of Boston be requested to report forthwith to the General Court the result of its investigation as to the necessity and advisability of providing for an additional elevated railway station at or near the corner of Charles and Leverett streets in the city of Boston, in accordance with chapter 96 of the Resolves of 1916. Boston transit department, — elevated railway station near Charles and Leverett streets.

The following House order was adopted, in concurrence: —

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs be authorized to visit, in the discharge of their duties, the State Camp Ground at Framingham, on or before February 1. Committee on Military Affairs, — travel.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Bill.

The Bill relative to sittings of the probate court for the county of Middlesex (printed as House, No. 481), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Senate bill.

The Senate Bill to authorize the town of Danvers to make an additional water loan (Senate, No. 12), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Loring.

The following Senate order was considered, to wit: —

Boston Elevated Railway Company; West End Street Railway Company. — names of stockholders.

Ordered, That the Public Service Commission furnish to the Senate on or before the thirty-first day of January, nineteen hundred and nineteen, correct lists containing the names and addresses of the stockholders of the Boston Elevated Railway Company, and of the West End Street Railway Company, and the number of shares held by each stockholder, and also correct lists of the bondholders of said companies, with their addresses and holdings, in so far as they can be ascertained by the commission.

The question on adopting the order was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Callahan, Edward
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Curran, George E.
Foley, William J.
Jackson, George H.

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
Mahoney, John J.
Reed, Silas D.
Walsh, John J. — 9.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Halliwell, John

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Perrin, Harold L.
Smith, Charles S.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 18.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. Peter F. Sullivan,
Mr. Charles A. Winchester (present),

NAYS.

Mr. Warren E. Tarbell (present).
Mr. David S. McIntosh. — 4.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Churchill, George B.
Cronin, John
Curtin, John A.
Gifford, Charles L.

Messrs. Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis — 8.

So the order was rejected.

The Senate Report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 109) of Augustus P. Loring that business corporations be authorized to provide for representation of their employees on the board of directors, — was considered, the question being on accepting it. Business corporations, — representation of employees on board of directors.

Mr. Loring moved that the report be amended by substituting a "Bill to enable business corporations to provide for the representation of their employees on the board of directors" (Senate, No. 109); and this amendment was rejected.

Pending the question on accepting the report, it was laid on the table, on further motion of Mr. Loring.

The Senate Report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 122) of Thomas A. Niland relative to rental charges for real estate, — was accepted. Senate report.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Report of the committee on State House and Libraries, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Commissioners of the Millicent Library Corporation Fund (House, No. 2), — was accepted, in concurrence. House report.

On motion of Mr. McLane, at twenty-three minutes past twelve o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, January 27, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Pilot Elliott S. Walsh, First Aero. Naval Aviation Detachment.

Pilot Elliott
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Aero Naval
Aviation
Detachment.

Pilot Elliott S. Walsh of the First Aero Naval Aviation Detachment, being in the Senate Chamber, was presented by the President and briefly addressed the Senate.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Cambridge, —
pension for
John J.
McCormick.

Authorizing the city of Cambridge to retire and pension John J. McCormick (printed as Senate, No. 40, on the petition of Edward A. Counihan, Jr.);

New Bedford,
— parents of
Charles Kwiat-
kowski.

Authorizing the city of New Bedford to pay a sum of money to the parents of Charles Kwiatkowski (House, No. 104, on the petition of Andrew P. Doyle and others); and

Revere, —
widow of
Clarence F.
Borden.

To authorize the city of Revere to pay an annuity to the widow of Clarence F. Borden (House, No. 1275, — on the petition of Alfred S. Hall, mayor, accompanied by bill, House, No. 151);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Reports

Feats danger-
ous to life or
limb.

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 26) of Thomas A. Niland that the public performance of feats which endanger life or limb be prohibited or restricted; and

Naturalization
papers, —
duplicates.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 485) of James A. Torrey relative to duplicate naturalization papers;

Home for
Aged Colored
Women.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 69) of Joseph P. Loud, president, and another that the Home for Aged Colored Women be authorized to hold additional real and personal property; and

Society for the
Preservation of
New England
Antiquities.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 201) of William Sumner Appleton that The Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities be authorized to hold additional property; and

Spanish in-
fluenza, —
investigation.

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 210) of James H. Brennan relative to an investigation of the disease known as the Spanish influenza;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

A special report of the Attorney-General and the Secretary of the Commonwealth submitting a draft of a bill to provide for a system of absent voting by all persons absent on the day of election from the city or town where they reside (House, No. 554), — was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Election Laws.

Attorney-General and Secretary of the Commonwealth, — system of absent voting.

The Senate petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 272) of Albert Birch relative to the commitment of insane persons (referred by the Senate to the committee on Public Institutions), — came up, referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Legal Affairs.

Insane persons, — commitment.

The Senate insisted on its reference, on motion of Mr. Dahlborg; and the petition was returned to the House endorsed accordingly.

A House petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1024) of Arthur E. Horton for legislation to establish a Massachusetts Drainage Board of Survey, — came up, referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Drainage Board of Survey.

On motion of Mr. Hobbs, the petition was referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Administration and Commissions.

Sent down for concurrence.

A House petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1044) of Francis X. Quigley for the establishment of a Connecticut valley park reservation commission, — came up, referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Connecticut valley park reservation commission.

On motion of Mr. Hobbs, the petition was referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Administration and Commissions.

Sent down for concurrence.

A House petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 700) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, for an increase in the allowance for the support of the wife or children of a man confined in a penal institution, to be paid in return for each day's hard labor performed by such prisoner, — came up, referred to the committee on Social Welfare.

Prisoners, — allowances for support of families.

On motion of Mr. Cavanagh, the petition was referred, in non-concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

A House petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1067) of J. Weston Allen relative to the printing and distribution of the laws passed by the General Court, — came up, referred to the committee on Legal Affairs.

Acts and resolves, — printing and distribution.

On motion of Mr. Cavanagh, the petition was referred, in non-concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

House petitions and resolutions were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1022) of March G. Bennett relative to the consolidation of certain metropolitan boards into a Metropolitan Boston Commission;

Metropolitan boards, — consolidation.

To the committee on Administration and Commissions.

Poultry, —
testing for
disease.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1023) of the Massachusetts Poultry Society and another for an appropriation for the testing of poultry for the purpose of eliminating disease;

To the committee on Agriculture.

Milk and
cream, —
standardiza-
tion.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1025) of Cornelius A. Parker for legislation to provide for the standardization of milk and cream;

To the committees on Agriculture and Public Health, sitting jointly.

Savings
banks, —
bankers' ac-
ceptances.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1026) of James Holland for the repeal of the act permitting the investment by savings banks in bankers' acceptances;

To the committee on Banks and Banking.

Boston, —
board of art
commissioners.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1027) of Alexander Whiteside relative to the board of art commissioners of the city of Boston;

Boston, —
salaries of first
assistant
assessors.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1028) of James H. Brennan that the salaries of the first assistant assessors of the city of Boston be established;

Boston, —
municipal
building in
East Boston.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1029) of John B. Cashman relative to an investigation by the Public Service Commission as to the advisability of constructing a municipal building in the East Boston district of the city of Boston;

Boston, —
salaries of dep-
uty assessors.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1030) of John I. Fitzgerald that the salaries of the deputy assessors of the city of Boston be established;

Boston, —
pension for
Hugh H.
McNerlin.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1031) of Francis F. Morse that the city of Boston be authorized to retire and pension Hugh H. McNerlin;

Boston fire
department, —
Thomas J.
Fahey.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1032) of William H. McDonnell that Thomas J. Fahey be reinstated in the fire department of the city of Boston;

Cambridge, —
authority
of license
commissioner.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1033) of Lucian D. Fuller that the license commissioner of the city of Cambridge be authorized to grant licenses and permits;

Cambridge, —
commissioner
of health.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1034) of Lucian D. Fuller for the establishment of a commissioner of health in place of the board of health of the city of Cambridge;

Marlborough,
— salary of
mayor.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1035) of John H. Baker for an amendment to the charter of the city of Marlborough relative to the salary of the mayor of said city; and

Marlborough,
— inaugura-
tion of city
government.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1036) of John H. Baker for legislation to amend the charter of the city of Marlborough in respect to the inauguration of the members of the city government;

Severally to the committee on Cities.

State school
equalization
fund.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 912) of Fred P. Greenwood for the establishment of a State school equalization fund and providing for the distribution thereof;

Public recrea-
tion, play-
grounds and
physical
education.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 914) of Edward T. Hartman relative to the powers of cities and towns in respect to public recreation, playgrounds and physical education; and

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1037) of Victor Francis Jewett for the purchase by the Commonwealth of land adjoining property of the State Normal School at Lowell;
 Severally to the committee on Education.

State Normal School at Lowell, — land.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1038) of John R. Hudson relative to the use of voting machines;
 To the committee on Election Laws.

Voting machines.

Resolutions urging Congress to pass certain legislation relative to aliens who claimed exemption from military service in the present war (House, No. 1020);

Aliens, — exemption from military duty.

Resolutions relative to men in Class 1-A not inducted into the military service of the United States (House, No. 1021);

Military service, — men in class 1-A.

Petition (accompanied by resolution, House, No. 1040) of John F. Gillespie for a withdrawal of the action of the General Court of 1918 in ratifying the proposed amendment of the Federal Constitution prohibiting the manufacture, transportation and sale of intoxicating liquors; and

National prohibition, — withdrawal of action of 1918.

Petition (accompanied by resolutions, House, No. 1041) of Jerome A. Petitti and others for the passage of resolutions relative to the naturalization of aliens;

Aliens, — naturalization.

Severally to the committee on Federal Relations.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1042) of Victor C. Johnson and others for legislation to establish a close season for raccoon;

Raccoon, — close season.

To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1043) of James H. Brennan that the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands be authorized to construct and maintain certain public landings in the city of Boston;

Boston, — public landings.

To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1045) of Robert E. Bigney relative to the notice to be given to employees under the provision of law providing compensation for persons injured in industrial accidents;

Industrial accidents, — notices to employees.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1046) of J. Waldo Bond and others relative to the consideration by the full bench of the Supreme Judicial Court of certain questions arising under the law relative to the compensation of injured employees;

Industrial accidents, — questions to the Supreme Judicial Court.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1047) of David W. Murray that the writing of workmen's compensation insurance by liability insurance companies be prohibited and that a Massachusetts company be incorporated for this purpose;

Industrial accidents, — Massachusetts insurance company.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1048) of John J. Carey that the hiring of State officials and members of the General Court to favor or oppose questions coming before the voters be forbidden for three years after their terms of service;

State officials and legislators, — interest in referendum measures.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1050) of Abram J. Berkwitz that there be vested in the Attorney-General exclusive power to institute proceedings against attorneys for disbarment, suspension or other discipline;

Attorney-General, — proceedings against attorneys.

Deaths from
poisoning, —
information.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1051) of John R. Hudson relative to the publication of information concerning persons dying from taking poison; and

Prisoners, —
release on
probation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1052) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to the release of prisoners upon probation;

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Sanity of
persons, —
commitment
for obser-
vation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 948) of George M. Kline relative to the commitment for observation purposes of persons whose sanity is to be determined;

Graves of
soldiers and
sailors, — care.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1057) of M. A. O'Brien, Jr., that provision be made for care of the graves of soldiers, sailors and marines;

Money lenders,
— loans.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1058) of Edward J. Cox relative to loans made by money lenders;

Private
detectives.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1059) of John C. Gordon for regulation of the business of private detectives;

Dissolution of
attachments,
— bonds.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1060) of William A. Kneeland relative to bonds given to dissolve attachments;

Bill-boards, —
municipal
licenses.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1063) of D. F. Reardon relative to the licensing of bill-boards, signs or sign-boards by cities and towns;

Intoxicating
liquors, —
part-year
licenses.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1064) of James T. Purcell for the issuance of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors for proportionate periods of the license year;

Wages, —
assignment.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1065) of James J. Mulvey that assignments of more than half the wages of any person be made invalid; and

Trained
animals, —
exhibition.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1066) of Thomas A. Niland relative to the exhibition of trained animals;

Severally to the committee on Legal Affairs.

Lord's Day, —
motion picture
theatres.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1070) of Frank H. Cowin for legislation to compel the closing of motion picture theatres on the Lord's Day;

Material for
mattresses, —
sale.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1073) of Edward B. Smalley relative to the sale of materials used in the manufacture of mattresses and similar articles;

Bread, —
manufacture
and sale.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1074) of Francis B. McKinney for legislation relative to the manufacture and sale of bread; and

Boiler makers
and repairers,
— licensing.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1075) of Thomas A. Niland relative to the licensing of manufacturers and repairers of boilers;

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Metropolitan
Park
Commission,
— widow
of Irving B.
Harding.
Metropolitan
Park
Commission,
— widow of
Maurice W.
Finn.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 958) of George Lyman Rogers that the Metropolitan Park Commission be authorized to pay a pension to the widow of Irving B. Harding;

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 959) of Melvin B. Breath and others for the payment of an annuity to Annie L. Finn of Revere whose husband died as a result of injuries received while in the performance of duty as a member of the metropolitan park police;

- Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1077) of Herbert A. Wilson relative to the height of buildings in the city of Boston; Boston, — height of buildings.
- Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1080) of the finance commission of the city of Boston relative to the preparation and printing of lists of officials and employees of said city; Boston, — list of officials and employees.
- Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1081) of Alexander Whiteside relative to the installation of water-meters in the city of Boston; Boston, — installation of water-meters.
- Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1082) of John B. Cashman for an investigation by the Public Service Commission of the advisability of constructing a bridge from East Boston to Boston; Boston and East Boston, — investigation for bridge and tunnel.
- Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1083) of William H. Hearn relative to an investigation of the cost of construction of a bridge and a tunnel between the city of Boston proper and East Boston; Id.
- Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1084) of J. Waldo Pond relative to the publication of the reports of the finance commission of the city of Boston; Boston finance commission, — publication of reports.
- Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1085) of Frank H. Cowin relative to the construction of Old Colony Boulevard in the city of Boston; and Boston, — Old Colony Boulevard.
- Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1086) of Edward J. Cox and others that the city of Boston be divided into districts for the election of members of the city council of said city; Boston, — election of councilmen by districts.
- Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.
- Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 961) of Arthur W. Colburn and others relative to the payment of an annuity to Bertha M. Guenther of Dracut whose husband died from the effects of a wound while engaged in target practice; and Bertha M. Guenther, — annuity.
- Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1094) of William H. Hearn for the granting of certificates of honor to citizens of Massachusetts who served on the Mexican border; Soldiers on Mexican border, — certificates of honor.
- Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.
- Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 962) of the mayor of the city of Lawrence and another that said city be authorized to borrow money to reimburse its treasury for expenses incurred during the influenza epidemic; Lawrence, — indebtedness for expenses of influenza epidemic.
- Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 963) of Ralph Adams Cram for the construction by the city of Boston of a highway from Eliot Street to Church Green and for the relocating and widening of Bedford Street from Kingston Street to Church Green; Boston, — construction and widening of highways.
- Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 965) of William P. Hickey and another that cities and towns be authorized to buy and sell real estate and loan money for the purpose of improving housing conditions; Municipal housing improvements.
- Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 966) of Perry D. Thompson, mayor, and others relative to the erection in the city of Lowell of a public auditorium in memory of the soldiers and sailors of the European war; and Lowell, — public memorial auditorium.

New Bedford,
— indebted-
ness for a city
hospital.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1096) of Alfred M. Bessette that the city of New Bedford be authorized to borrow money for the construction of a city hospital;

Severally to the committee on Municipal Finance.

Narcotic drugs
and medical
instruments, —
sale.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 969) of Seth F. Arnold for the repeal of certain provisions of law relative to the sale and distribution of narcotic drugs and medical instruments;

Lawrence, —
reimbursement
for expenses of
influenza
epidemic.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 970) of Justin E. Varney and others that the city of Lawrence be reimbursed for expenses incurred on account of the epidemic of Spanish influenza;

Patent and
proprietary
medicines, —
sale.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 971) of John J. Tobin and another for an amendment of the law relative to the sale of certain patent and proprietary medicines;

Pharmacists, —
sale of intoxi-
cating liquors.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 972) of John J. Tobin and another for an amendment of the law relative to the sale of intoxicating liquors by registered pharmacists;

State Depart-
ment of Health,
— suppression
of influenza and
pneumonia.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 973) of Frank Mulveny for an appropriation to be used by the State Department of Health in connection with the control, suppression and treatment of Spanish influenza and pneumonia;

Sale of fish at
wholesale, —
inspectors.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 974) of Wendell P. Murray and others for the appointment in certain cities by the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game of inspectors of fish offered for sale at wholesale;

Boston hotels,
— law relative
to innkeepers.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1097) of Thomas G. Washburn that hotels in the city of Boston containing more than fifty rooms be exempt from the provisions of the law relative to the licensing of innkeepers;

Hotels and
lodging houses,
— licensing, etc.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1098) of John I. Fitzgerald for the repeal of the law relative to the licensing, inspection and regulation of hotels and private lodging-houses;

Physicians, —
registration.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1099) of Thomas F. Donovan relative to the registration of physicians;

Street railway
cars, — disin-
fection.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1100) of John L. Donovan relative to the cleaning and disinfecting of cars of street railway companies; and

Places of
amusement, —
ventilation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1102) of Francis B. McKinney that provision be made for the better ventilation of public halls and places of amusement;

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Public institu-
tions, — articles
made by the
blind.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 975) of Harvey W. Monson and others relative to the purchase for use at public institutions of articles produced by the blind;

Boston and
Maine Rail-
road, — land
in Westminster.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 976) of A. W. Cole and another relative to the conveyance of certain land of the Commonwealth in the town of Westminster to the Boston and Maine Railroad; and

Charles H.
Messinger, —
compensation
for injuries.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1105) of Charles H. Messinger for compensation for injuries received while an inmate of the psychopathic department of the Boston State Hospital;

Severally to the committee on Public Institutions.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 981) of John I. Fitzgerald that the compensation of John J. Gillespie, an employee of the county of Suffolk in the house of correction at Deer Island, be increased; Suffolk house of correction, — salary of John J. Gillespie.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 982) of James J. Moynihan relative to the designation and salary of a first assistant clerk of the Superior Court for criminal business for the county of Suffolk; Suffolk Superior Court, — designation and salary of first assistant clerk.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 983) of James E. Odlin for the suspension of all increases in salaries and pensions of persons in the service of the Commonwealth; All salary increases and pensions, — suspension.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 984) of George M. Kline that provision be made for an assistant director of the Commission on Mental Diseases; Commission on Mental Diseases, — assistant director.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 985) of David I. Robinson for additional clerical assistance for the treasurer of the county of Essex; Essex County treasurer, — clerical assistance.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 986) of B. L. Young for the repeal of the act relative to schedule bonds required for certain officials and employees of the Commonwealth; State officials and employees, — schedule bonds.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1107) of Robert E. Bigney relative to information required from veterans in examinations by the Civil Service Commission; Civil service examinations, — information from veterans.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1108) of John I. Fitzgerald relative to removals and suspensions in the classified civil service; Civil service, — removals and suspensions.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1109) of John R. Hudson relative to notices by the Civil Service Commission to persons taking civil service examinations; Civil service examinations, — notices.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1110) of Edward J. Cox that the salaries of the assistant engineers in the prison service be regulated; Prison service, — salaries of assistant engineers.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1111) of Edward J. Cox that the salaries of the firemen in the prison service be regulated; Prison service, — salaries of firemen.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1114) of J. P. Keating for vacations with pay for laborers, workmen and mechanics employed by the Commonwealth; Certain State employees, — vacations with pay.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1115) of Harold F. Hathaway for regulation of travelling expenses of clerks and assistant clerks of courts; Clerks of courts — travelling expenses.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1116) of Andrew J. Peters and others relative to payments for clerical assistance for the registers of probate and insolvency for the counties of Middlesex and Suffolk; Middlesex and Suffolk registers of probate, — clerical assistance.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1117) of John I. Fitzgerald relative to appointment and tenure of office in the departments of the auditor, collector and assessors of the city of Boston; and Boston auditor, collector and assessors, — tenure of employees.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1118) of John I. Fitzgerald relative to the removal, suspension or reduction of persons in the classified civil service of the city of Boston; Boston, — tenure of civil service employees.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Boston and vicinity, — electrification of railroads.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 987) of William H. McDonnell and another for the electrification of the railroads operated in or about the city of Boston;
To the committee on Railroads.

Discharged soldiers, — employment by the State Forester.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 991) of Carlton W. Wonson relative to the employment of discharged soldiers of the United States by the State Forester;
To the committee on Reconstruction.

Operators of motor-vehicles, — reissuing of licenses.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 992) of George L. Ellsworth relative to violations of law concerning the operation of motor-vehicles and to reissuing licenses to operators;
To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Old age pension system.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 994) of Wendell Phillips Thoré for the establishment of a system of non-contributory old age pensions;

Places of amusement, — admission of children.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 997) of Michael H. Sullivan relative to the admission of children under sixteen years of age to places of amusement;

Certain county employees, — retirement.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 998) of the county commissioners of the county of Bristol relative to the retirement and pensioning of certain county employees;

Boys, — parole from certain institutions.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 999) of John I. Fitzgerald relative to the parole of boys committed to the Lyman School for Boys, the Industrial School for Boys and the Suffolk School for Boys;

Minimum Wage Commission, — jurisdiction.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1000) of Walter M. Whitehill relative to the powers and jurisdiction of the Minimum Wage Commission; and

Probation officers, — interest on money held.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1005) of Allison G. Catheron relative to the payment of interest on certain moneys held by probation officers for the support of dependents;
Severally to the committee on Social Welfare.

Street railway cars, — disinfection.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1006) of Thomas H. Bates that street railway companies be required to disinfect or deodorize their cars;

Street railway locations, — abandonment.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1007) of Frank B. Pinney relative to the surrender and abandonment of street railway locations in cities and towns in certain cases; and

Bay State Street Railway Company, — appraisal of property.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1008) of Carlton W. Wonson for an appraisal by a special commission of the property of the Bay State Street Railway Company and for public assistance for said company;

Severally to the committee on Street Railways.

Louis C. Bartlett, — overpayment of taxes.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1010) of Fred J. Burrell that Louis C. Bartlett of Newton, guardian of Elizabeth G. Bartlett, be reimbursed for an overpayment of taxes;

Louis C. Bartlett, — repayment of taxes.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1011) of Fred J. Burrell that Louis C. Bartlett of Newton be reimbursed for a tax illegally exacted;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1012) of Eliza A. Aldworth for an amendment of the law relative to the sale and taking of land for non-payment of taxes; Non-payment of taxes, — land takings.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1013) of Bertha F. Fitzgerald for the repayment by the Commonwealth of an inheritance tax paid by her through mistake; Bertha F. Fitzgerald, — repayment of taxes.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1014) of Clifford H. Walker relative to the taxation of domestic business corporations; and Domestic business corporations, — taxation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1015) of Clifford H. Walker relative to providing for certain deductions in determining the value of a corporate franchise for purposes of taxation; Corporate franchises, — tax values.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1016) of William J. McDonald for the appointment of a Pilgrim and Peace Exposition Commission to consider and report plans for an international exposition to be held at or near Boston in the year 1922 to celebrate the three hundredth anniversary of the landing of the Pilgrims and the return of peace; Pilgrim and peace international exposition.

To the joint committee on Ways and Means.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The bills

To provide for the appointment in the county of Suffolk of trustees for county aid to agriculture (printed as House, No. 148); and Bills.

To authorize cities and towns to appropriate money to celebrate the return of soldiers and sailors (House, No. 1276, amended); and

The Resolve confirming the acts of J. Joseph Cooper of Brockton as a notary public (House, No. 21); Resolve.

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill relative to sittings of the probate court for the county of Middlesex (printed as House, No. 481), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Senate bill.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Gifford, at twenty minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, January 28, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Committee to Welcome Returning Soldiers, Sailors and Marines.

Joint special
committee, —
returning
soldiers,
sailors and
marines.

The President appointed Messrs. Cavanagh, Tarbell, Nason, Curran and Walsh the members of the Senate to serve on the joint special committee to act in conjunction with the Massachusetts Committee to Welcome Returning Soldiers, Sailors and Marines, appointed by the Governor.

Sent down to be joined.

Reports of Committees.

Commissioners
to consolidate
and arrange
the General
Laws, —
expenses.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Resolve providing for the current expenses of the commissioners appointed to consolidate and arrange the General Laws (House, No. 99), ought to pass (Mr. McLane, dissenting);

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Brockton, —
John Flynn.

By Mr. Jackson, for the committee on Cities, on the petition of the mayor and city solicitor of said city, a Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to pension John Flynn (printed as House, No. 457);

Brockton, —
John
McCaffrey.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of the mayor and city solicitor of said city, a Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to pay a pension to John McCaffrey (printed as House, No. 458);

Lynn, — Eliz-
abeth E. Rule.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of Walter H. Creamer, mayor, and others, a Bill authorizing the city of Lynn to retire and pension Elizabeth E. Rule (printed as House, No. 460, — changed by the committee by adding at the end of section 2 the words "and upon its acceptance by vote of the city council of said city subject to the provisions of its charter, provided such acceptance occurs prior to the thirty-first day of December in the current year."); and

Brockton, —
James Keough.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of the mayor and city solicitor of said city, a Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to pension James Keough (printed as House, No. 735);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Consolidation
and arrange-
ment of the
General Laws.

By Mr. Cavanagh, for the joint committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of George P. Drury (accompanied by bill, House, No. 605), a Bill to postpone the taking effect of chapter two

hundred and fifty-seven of the General Acts of nineteen hundred and eighteen (Senate, No. 295);

Read, the rules suspended, on motion of the same Senator, and the bill read a second time and a third time and passed to be engrossed;

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 suspended, on further motion of Mr. Cavanagh.

By Mr. Tarbell, for the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 581) of Guy M. Winslow that provision be made for preferential voting in municipal elections in cities; and

Municipal elections, — preferential voting.

By Mr. Smith, for the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 24) of Coleman E. Kelley relative to the abatement of water-meter rates in the city of Boston;

Boston, — abatement of water-meter rates.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Petitions.

Mr. Reed presented a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 294) of Silas D. Reed for an extension of the time for the improvement of a certain part of the Taunton River; and the petition was referred, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, moved by the same Senator, to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Taunton River, — improvement.

Sent down for concurrence.

Petitions (having been deposited in the office of the Clerk priorly to 5 o'clock in the afternoon of Saturday, January 11) were severally presented and referred as follows:—

By Mr. Sullivan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 291) of Peter F. Sullivan that preference in public employment be given to persons who have been honorably discharged from the military, naval or marine service of the United States in the present war; and

Soldiers, sailors and marines, — preference in public employment.

By Mr. Tarbell, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 292) of Warren E. Tarbell that disabled soldiers be eligible for appointment in classified civil service positions;

Disabled soldiers, — eligible for appointment in classified civil service positions.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Reports

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 246) of The Dorchester Board of Trade relative to the investment by savings banks in mortgages on real estate; and

Savings banks, — investment in mortgages.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 247) of The Dorchester Board of Trade that trustees and officers of savings banks shall be elected by depositors;

Savings banks, — election of officials.

Of the committee on Education, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Commissioners of the Massachusetts School Fund (House, No. 1);

Massachusetts School Fund.

Corporations,
— change of
purposes.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 108) of Willis E. Sibley relative to the vote by which certain corporations may change the purposes for which they were incorporated; and

Collectors of
taxes, —
accounts and
papers.

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 218) of Howard A. Cook and another that the period be shortened within which outgoing collectors of taxes in small towns shall be required to deposit their accounts and papers;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

State Forester.

Recommendations of the State Forester (House, No. 897) were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

So much as relates to the disposal of slash or brush following wood or lumber operations (accompanied by bill, House, No. 898), to the committee on Agriculture.

So much as relates to the sale of cord wood (accompanied by bill, House, No. 899), to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Board of Com-
missioners on
Fisheries and
Game.

So much of the recommendations of the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game (House, No. 873) as does not relate to increasing public interest in the protection of fish and game, to improvements at the fish hatcheries, to the establishment of additional stations for the rearing of trout, to plans for the establishment of a salt water fish hatchery and to the construction of fishways at Lawrence and Lowell, — was referred, in concurrence (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 879 to 894, inclusive), to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

State Depart-
ment of
Health.

So much of the recommendations of the State Department of Health (House, No. 1145) as does not relate to preventive work against cancer, — was referred, in concurrence (accompanied by bills and resolve, House, Nos. 1147 to 1151, inclusive), to the committee on Public Health.

Massachusetts
Commission
for the
Blind.

So much of the recommendations of the Massachusetts Commission for the Blind (House, No. 1141) as does not relate to the instruction of the adult blind at their homes, — was referred, in concurrence (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 1143 and 1144), to the committee on Social Welfare.

Commission
for the Blind,
— reorganisa-
tion.

House petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —
Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1181) of George W. Jones for a reorganization of the Massachusetts Commission for the Blind;

Prices of food,
— regulation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1182) of L. S. Hamburger that the wholesale and retail prices of staple articles of food be regulated; and

Sale of an-
thracite coal,
— State
regulation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1183) of Thomas Leavitt for the establishment of a State department to regulate the sale of anthracite coal;

Severally to the committee on Administration and Commis-
sions.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1184) of Cornelius F. Haley for the publication by the State Department of Health of the laws relating to milk; and

Milk laws, —
publication.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1185) of William J. Manning for legislation relative to the sale of milk in the city of Boston;

Boston, —
sale of milk.

Severally to the committees on Agriculture and Public Health, sitting jointly.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1186) of Robert Walcott that it be made unlawful for officers of savings banks to hold office in national banks or trust companies;

Savings bank
officers,
office in other
banks.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1187) of James W. Robertson relative to restricting trust companies in the amount on any deposit or account in their savings departments;

Trust com-
panies, — limit of
savings
deposits.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1188) of James W. Robertson for an investigation of the business methods of trust companies; and

Trust com-
panies, —
business
methods.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1189) of Charles S. O'Connor relative to monthly payments of interest on deposits in savings banks;

Savings banks,
— monthly
interest.

Severally to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1190) of F. F. Clauss relative to the removal of heads of departments and members of commissions and executive boards in cities under the Plan B charter, so called;

City charters,
— removal of
heads of de-
partments, etc.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1191) of Charles H. Porter relative to the election of city councils by the method of proportional representation;

City councils,
— proportional
representation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1192) of Thomas A. Niland that the city of Boston be authorized to reinstate Frank L. Turner in the cemetery department of said city;

Boston, — re-
instatement of
Frank L.
Turner.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1193) of James C. Buckley, city clerk, and the board of aldermen of the city of Chicopee, that the compensation of said board be increased;

Chicopee, —
compensation
of aldermen.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1194) of Walter H. Creamer, mayor, that the city of Lynn be authorized to pay a sum of money to the widow of George N. Nichols;

Lynn, —
widow of
George N.
Nichols.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1195) of Andrew P. Doyle relative to the establishment of the two-platoon system in the fire department of the city of New Bedford; and

New Bedford
fire depart-
ment, — two-
platoon
system.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1296) of Matthew A. Higgins for a revision of the charter of the city of Taunton;

Taunton, —
revision of
charter.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1196) of Harry A. White relative to the election of judicial officers;

Judicial officers,
— election.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1197) of Harry A. White and another relative to the recall of judicial officers; and

Judicial officers,
— recall.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1198) of Leland Powers relative to an amendment of the Constitution to strike out the requirement that assessments, rates and taxes be proportional;

Constitutional
amendment, —
proportional
taxes.

Severally to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Holidays, —
flags on school
buildings.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1199) of Mrs. Otis Reed and another for legislation to require the displaying of flags on school buildings on State and National holidays;
To the committee on Education.

Cambridge, —
primary
elections.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1039) of L. D. Fuller relative to primary elections in the city of Cambridge;

Cambridge, —
descriptive
matter on
ballots.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1200) of F. F. Clauss relative to the use of descriptive matter on ballots at municipal elections in the city of Cambridge;

Boston, —
powers of ward
committees.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1201) of Daniel J. Gillen relative to the powers of ward committees in the city of Boston in respect to appointing registrars of voters, wardens, inspectors and clerks;

Absent voting.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1202) of George H. Crowell and others that provision be made for a system of voting by voters absent from their homes; and

Voters, — in-
formation con-
cerning
referenda.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1203) of Charles H. Porter relative to sending voters information concerning referenda or questions submitted to the voters at a State election;
Severally to the committee on Election Laws.

Water-power
conservation, —
New England
convention.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 927) of Carlton W. Wonson for a convention of delegates from all the New England States to consider the conservation and utilization of the water-power of said States;

To the committee on Federal Relations.

Ruffed grouse,
— open season.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1204) of George M. Worrall relative to the open season on partridge or ruffed grouse;

To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Saint John
Mutual Frat-
ernal Benefit
Association.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1205) of Chauncey Pepin that the name of the Saint John Mutual Fraternal Benefit Association be changed;

To the committee on Insurance.

Lodging and
boarding-house
keepers, —
powers.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1049) of John C. Gordon relative to the powers of lodging and boarding-house keepers in dealing with their patrons;

Attorneys, —
solicited
law suits.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1053) of Jerome A. Petitti and others that attorneys be prohibited from accepting law suits from solicitors of criminal or civil actions;

Second District
Court of East-
ern Middlesex,
— impeach-
ment of justices
and clerk.

Petition (accompanied by resolution, House, No. 1206) of Robert W. Renfrew and another that the General Court petition the Governor and Council to remove or impeach Judge Samuel P. Abbott, Associate Judge Michael J. Connolly and Clerk William J. Bannan of the Second District Court of Eastern Middlesex;

Judicial pro-
cedure, —
penal and civil
codes.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1213) of Robert W. Renfrew and another for the establishment of penal and civil codes of procedure; and

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1217) of Charles W. Eliot that Trinity Church in the City of Boston be authorized to remove the St. Gaudens statue of Phillips Brooks from its present location;

Trinity Church in Boston, — statue of Phillips Brooks.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1054) of John C. Gordon relative to regulating the hours of labor of hospital nurses and attendants and to designating the location of their sleeping apartments;

Hospital nurses, — hours of labor and sleeping apartments.

To the committee on Labor.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1055) of C. E. Kelly relative to the granting of licenses to aliens;

Aliens, — licenses.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1056) of John Marshall Barry for legislation to regulate the legal rate of interest in this Commonwealth;

Interest, — legal rate.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1061) of William A. Kneeland relative to collection agencies;

Collection agencies.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1062) of Alexander Whiteside that cities and towns be authorized to regulate advertising in public places;

Public advertising, — municipal regulations.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1218) of Carrie G. Barr relative to the filing of accounts of executors, administrators, guardians and trustees;

Executors and others, — filing of accounts.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1219) of John P. Englert and others relative to the sale of dangerous weapons to persons not licensed to carry the same; and

Dangerous weapons, — sale.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1220) of Daniel J. Gillen that the playing of amateur baseball and football on the Lord's Day be authorized;

Lord's Day, — amateur sports.

Severally to the committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1068) of W. Dudley Cotton relative to membership in The Proprietors of Saint James Church in Roxbury;

Saint James Church in Roxbury.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1069) of Robert E. Bigney that provision be made for the licensing of slot-machines and other automatic devices by the Commissioner of Standards;

Slot-machines and other devices, — licensing.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1071) of John C. Gordon relative to the sale or exchange of manufactured imitations of the furs of fur-bearing animals;

Imitation furs, — sale and exchange.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1072) of Thomas H. Green for further regulation of the manufacture of explosives; and

Explosives, — manufacture.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1226) of Perry J. Mosher, president, and others that the Smith Mills Christian Church of Dartmouth be authorized to act as trustee of certain funds;

Dartmouth, — Smith Mills Christian Church.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1076) of Charles Logue and others relative to the construction of three-story multiple dwellings in the city of Boston;

Boston, — three-story multiple dwellings.

Boston, —
building laws.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1078) of Herbert A. Wilson relative to the construction, alteration and maintenance of buildings in the city of Boston;

Boston building laws, —
hospitals.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1079) of Herbert A. Wilson relative to the construction, alteration and maintenance of hospitals in the city of Boston;

East Boston, —
metropolitan
water-main.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1087) of Edward J. Cox relative to the completion of a water-main in East Boston by the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board;

Boston, —
protection of
common and
public garden.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1088) of John I. Fitzgerald relative to protecting the common and public garden in the city of Boston;

Federation of
metropolitan
Boston.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1089) of March G. Bennett for the creation of the federation of metropolitan Boston and to provide an advisory representative council therefor;

Boston Elevated
Railway
Company, —
property and
capital.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1090) of Martin Hays relative to a revaluation of the property of the Boston Elevated Railway Company and to a reduction of its capital;

Metropolitan
water supply,
use of
water-power.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1091) of Bernard Early relative to an investigation by the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board as to the practicability of utilizing the water-power of the metropolitan water supply;

Metropolitan
Park Commission,
— salaries
of employees.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1227) of John P. Englert and others that the salaries of the employees of the Metropolitan Park Commission be established;

Commercial
Point in Boston,
— parkway
to Squantum.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1228) of Thomas Leavitt for an investigation of the feasibility and cost of construction of a parkway from Commercial Point to Squantum; and

Boston and
Cambridge
bridges, — cost
of maintenance.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1229) of Lucien D. Fuller that the expenses of constructing and maintaining bridges between the cities of Boston and Cambridge be shared by other cities and towns;

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Soldiers and
sailors, —
medals.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1092) of John J. Carey relative to the presentation of medals to Massachusetts soldiers and sailors in the military or naval service of the United States;

War service
medal commission.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1093) of William H. Hearn relative to the creation of a war service medal commission to further the proper recognition of the citizen soldiery of the Commonwealth; and

Municipal employees
killed in war service,
— annuities to
dependents.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1095) of William H. McDonnell that cities and towns be authorized to pay annuities to the widows and orphans of employees killed in war service;

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Charles River,
— protection
from pollution.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1101) of Francis B. McKinney for legislation to prohibit the pollution of the Charles River;

Infectious
venereal diseases,
— regulation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1103) of Henry F. Hurlburt for the further regulation of infectious venereal diseases;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1233) of Frank H. Cowin for the marking of candy and confectionery placed in cold storage;
Cold storage confectionery, — marking.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1234) of Thomas H. Green that a physical examination of persons engaged in the preparation or serving of food be required;
Persons handling food, — physical examination.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1235) of Thomas A. Niland relative to enlarging the powers of the board of health of the city of Boston; and
Boston board of health, — powers.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1236) of Timothy Leary relative to the cremation of the bodies of persons dying outside the limits of the Commonwealth;
Cremation.

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1104) of Karl Adams relative to legal settlements;
Legal settlements.

To the committee on Public Institutions.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1106) of Lewis R. Sullivan relative to the price of gas in the city of Boston and to the authority of the Boston Consolidated Gas Company to furnish gas and declare dividends on the sliding scale system;
Boston Consolidated Gas Company, — prices and dividends.

To the committee on Public Lighting.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1112) of Edward J. Cox that the salaries of the officers and employees of the Reformatory for Women be regulated;
Reformatory for Women, — salaries of employees.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1113) of William H. Hearn that the salary of the forewoman in the Sergeant-at-Arms' department in the State House be established;
Sergeant-at-Arms' department, — salary of forewoman.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1237) of John L. Donovan relative to the compensation of members of the General Court;
General Court, — salaries of members.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1238) of the physician and surgeon at the State Prison for an increase of salary;
State Prison, — salary of physician.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1239) of the Wardens' and Matrons' Association of Massachusetts that the civil service law and rules be extended to superintendents of town almshouses, homes or farms;
Superintendents of almshouses, etc., — civil service.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1240) of John P. Englert and others that honorably discharged soldiers and sailors shall not be barred from employment under the civil service on account of conviction for crime; and
Civil service, — soldiers and sailors with criminal records.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1241) of A. M. Bridgman that the editor of the daily list of legislative hearings be placed under the civil service law and rules;
Editor of list of legislative hearings, civil service.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1120) of John Mitchell for an extension of the time during which the ten-dollar bounty shall be paid to soldiers and sailors from this Commonwealth;
Soldiers and sailors, — State pay.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1121) of Edward F. Id. Harrington for an extension of the period for State pay for

- Soldiers and sailors, — State pay.** soldiers and sailors from this Commonwealth in the service of the United States;
 Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1122) of Roland D. Sawyer relative to State pay for residents of the Commonwealth who served in the army or navy of the United States during the European war;
- Soldiers and sailors, — State aid for dependents.** Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1123) of the mayor and city solicitor of the city of Malden for an extension of the time within which payment of war allowance and State aid to dependents of soldiers and sailors may be made;
- European war veterans, — civil service preference.** Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1124) of Michael J. Reidy that veterans of the Spanish and European wars be given certain preferences in civil service examinations;
- Id.** Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1125) of Daniel J. Gillen relative to granting preference in civil service examinations to veterans of the European war;
- Civil service, — definition of "veteran".** Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1242) of Robert E. Bigney relative to the definition of the word "veteran" in the laws relative to the civil service; and
- Id.** Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1243) of John J. Carey that the provisions of the civil service law relative to the preference of veterans be extended to veterans of the European war;
- Severally to the committee on Reconstruction.
- Owners of motor-vehicles, — filing of bonds.** Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1248) of Daniel J. Gillen relative to the filing of bonds with the Massachusetts Highway Commission before registration is granted to owners of motor-vehicles;
- Operators of motor-vehicles, — physical examination.** Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1249) of Thomas Leavitt that a physical examination of operators of motor-vehicles be required; and
- Owners of motor-vehicles, — personal liability insurance.** Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1250) of Arthur K. Reading relative to personal liability insurance by owners of motor-vehicles;
- Severally to the committee on Roads and Bridges.
- Cambridge, — retirement of employees of board of health.** Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1001) of Julius Meyers that the city of Cambridge be authorized to retire and pension certain employees of its board of health;
- Public and private dances, — regulation.** Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1002) of Frederic C. Nichols for further regulation of public and private dances;
- Veteran state employees, — retirement.** Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1003) of Philip A. Nordell relative to the retirement of veterans of the civil war from the service of the Commonwealth;
- Day nurseries.** Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1004) of Adelene Moffatt and others relative to regulating the establishment, operation, management and licensing of day nurseries;
- Milton fire department, — retirement of call members.** Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1127) of Josiah Babcock, Jr., that the town of Milton be authorized to retire and pension call members of its fire department;
- Pensioned teachers, — holding of office.** Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1128) of John E. Lynch that the holding of public office by teachers who are beneficiaries under State or local pension systems be legalized;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1129) of J. Weston Allen for legislation to provide for the establishment of a State system of old age annuities under the jurisdiction of the Insurance Commissioner; and

Insurance Commissioner, — State system of old age annuities.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1130) of John I. Fitzgerald for the appointment of a probation officer for the county of Suffolk;

Suffolk county, — probation officer.

Severally to the committee on Social Welfare.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1009) of C. V. Wood and others that the Commonwealth and cities be enabled to extend financial aid to street railway companies;

Street railway companies, — public aid.

To the committee on Street Railways.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1274) of Henry H. Bond for legislation to impose an excise tax upon corporations;

Corporations, — excise tax.

To the committee on Taxation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1131) of Frank H. Cowin relative to the improvement of the navigable facilities of the Neponset River;

Neponset River, — navigable facilities.

To the committee on Waterways and Terminals.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1132) of Fred P. Greenwood relative to appointment of the deputy in the department of the Auditor of the Commonwealth, as authorized by chapter 244 of the General Acts of 1918; and

Auditor of the Commonwealth, — deputy for the State budget.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1133) of Martin I. Hays relative to the abolition of the office of the deputy auditor having charge of the budget system;

Severally to the joint committee on Ways and Means.

Emergency Preambles Adopted and Bills Enacted.

An engrossed Bill relative to the rate of interest on bonds issued to provide further for the protection of the public health in the valley of Neponset River (see House, No. 1267), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

Improvement of the Neponset River, — rate of interest on bonds.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 31.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Callahan, Edward
Cronin, John
Curtin, John A.
Hardy, Leonard F.

Messrs. Hardy, Walter A.
Knox, Joseph O.
McIntosh, David S.
Smith, Charles S. — 8.

So the preamble was adopted; in concurrence.

The bill was then passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

State securities,
— rate of
interest.

An engrossed Bill relative to the rate of interest on certain securities to be issued during the current year (see House, No. 1269), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 32.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Callahan, Edward
Cronin, John
Curtin, John A.
Hardy, Leonard F.

Messrs. Hardy, Walter A.
Knox, Joseph O.
McIntosh, David S. — 7.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

The bill was then passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Metropolitan
water improve-
ments, — rate
of interest
on bonds.

An engrossed Bill relative to the interest on bonds issued to provide for the completion of certain authorized improvements in the metropolitan water works (see House, No. 1266), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 30.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Callahan, Edward
Cronin, John
Curtin, John A.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.

Messrs. Knox, Joseph O.
McIntosh, David S.
Nason, Arthur L.
Smith, Charles S. — 9.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

The bill was then passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The bills

Authorizing the city of Cambridge to retire and pension John Billa.
J. McCormick (printed as Senate, No. 40);

Authorizing the city of New Bedford to pay a sum of money to the parents of Charles Kwiatkowski (House, No. 104); and

To authorize the city of Revere to pay an annuity to the widow of Clarence F. Borden (House, No. 1275);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay an annuity to the widow of Patrick Carr (Senate, No. 285), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by adding at the end of section 1 the words "to continue as long as she remains unmarried."

Boston, —
widow of
Patrick Carr.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill to authorize the county of Suffolk to pay an annual pension to John Collins (Senate, No. 286) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading),

Suffolk
County, —
John Collins.

— was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following:— “SECTION 1. The county of Suffolk may retire John Collins, now seventy-two years of age, who has served said county as electrician in its court-house for the past twenty-four years, and may pay him for the remainder of his life an annual pension equal to one-half the salary received by him at the time of retirement.”

This amendment was adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

House bill.

The House Bill to authorize cities and towns to appropriate money to celebrate the return of soldiers and sailors (House, No. 1276, amended); and

House resolve.

The House Resolve confirming the acts of J. Joseph Cooper of Brockton as a notary public (House, No. 21);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House reports

House reports.

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 26) of Thomas A. Niland that the public performance of feats which endanger life or limb be prohibited or restricted;

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 485) of James A. Torrey relative to duplicate naturalization papers;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 69) of Joseph P. Loud, president, and another that the Home for Aged Colored Women be authorized to hold additional real and personal property;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 201) of William Sumner Appleton that The Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities be authorized to hold additional property; and

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 210) of James H. Brennan relative to an investigation of the disease known as the Spanish influenza;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Eames, at six minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, January 29, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Jackson, for the committee on Cities, on the petition of the mayor and city solicitor of said city, a Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to establish a board of trustees to have the care, management and control of Melrose Cemetery in said city (printed as House, No. 187); and

Brockton, —
Melrose
Cemetery.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of the mayor and city solicitor of said city, a Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to pension N. Dennis Tribou (printed as House, No. 456);

Brockton, —
N. Dennis
Tribou.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Hobbs, for the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 58) of Fred J. Burrell relative to primary elections in the city of Medford;

Medford, —
primary
elections.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Petitions.

Mr. Loring presented a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 296) of Henry Taddell and others that the compensation and allowance for travel for jurors be increased; and the petition was referred, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, moved by Mr. Beck, to the committee on Legal Affairs.

Jurors, —
compensation
and travel.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Loring presented a petition of Henry Taddell that, except in capital cases, verdicts may be reached by agreement of nine jurors; and, under the 12th Joint Rule, the petition was referred to the next General Court.

Verdicts, —
agreement of
nine jurors.

Order.

Mr. McKnight offered the following order; and, under the rule, it was referred to the committee on Rules, to wit: —

Ordered, That the Board of Education be requested to investigate the subject of the educational needs of returning and returned soldiers, sailors and marines, especially those whose training and education were interrupted by their induction into the Federal service, with a view to legislation providing for the completion of their education or for their re-education at the expense of the Commonwealth in existing institutions of learning or otherwise, and to report to the Senate on or before the first day of March in the current year.

Board of
Education, —
educational
needs of re-
turning sol-
diers, sailors
and marines.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Assessors, —
compensation.

To establish the compensation of assessors (House, No. 174, on the petition of John O. Hamilton); and

Springfield, —
South Congrega-
tional Society
and Church.

Relative to the South Congregational Society and Church of Springfield (House, No. 197, on the petition of William C. Taylor and others);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Reports

Hours of labor
in industries, —
investigation
of results.

Of the committee on Administration and Commissions, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 560) of Charles L. Allen and others for the appointment of a special commission to investigate the results of the prevailing hours of labor in industries in this Commonwealth and to make recommendations thereon, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Social Welfare; and

Somerville, —
biennial
elections.

Of the committee on Election Laws, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 108) of Warren C. Daggett and another relative to providing for biennial elections in the city of Somerville, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Cities;

Were severally read and accepted, in concurrence.

Massachusetts
Highway
Commission.

Recommendations of the Massachusetts Highway Commission (House, No. 1162) (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 1163 and 1164), — were referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

House resolutions and petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

Soldiers and
sailors, — six
months' additional
salary.

Resolutions urging the Congress of the United States to pay soldiers and sailors, discharged from the service, six months additional salary (House, No. 1280);

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Federal Relations.

Supreme Judi-
cial Court, —
opinions.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1207) of James A. Keown and another relative to requiring that opinions of the Supreme Judicial Court shall be subscribed to by all the justices;

Judicature
Commission.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1208) of Robert W. Renfrew and another for the appointment of a Judicature Commission;

Husbands and
wives, — rela-
tions.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1209) of William Boyce and another relative to the relations of husband and wife;

Industrial
accidents, —
compensation
for injuries.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1210) of John A. Kelleher that compensation to injured employees shall begin on the first day after the accident;

Industrial
accidents, —
burial expenses.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1211) of William J. Manning relative to the payment of burial expenses under the Workmen's Compensation Act;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1212) of Warren F. Spalding that the waiving of jury trials in criminal cases be authorized; Criminal cases, — waiving of jury trials.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1214) of Elliott B. Church relative to admission to the bar of attorneys at law; Attorneys, — admission to the bar.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1215) of Stoughton Bell and another relative to publicity in the matter of criminal complaints; and Criminal complaints, — publicity.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1216) of J. William Glass relative to the purchase and sale of securities and commodities by brokers; Brokers, — securities and commodities.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1221) of James J. Mulvey for an investigation of abuses in connection with the sale of goods on the instalment plan; and Merchandise, — abuses of installment sales.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1222) of Katherine L. Edwards relative to prescribing rules for the use of the American flag; American flag, — rules for use.

Severally to the committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1223) of William E. Wall relative to the licensing of master painters; Master painters, — licensing.

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1230) of Lucien D. Fuller that the control of certain park lands in the city of Cambridge be transferred to the Metropolitan Park Commission; and Cambridge park lands, — metropolitan control.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1231) of Arthur K. Reading and others for the consolidation of certain cities and towns into a metropolitan district of Boston; Metropolitan Boston.

Severally to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1232) of Edward A. Scigliano that members of the State Guard be allowed to retain their uniforms free of charge when mustered out; State Guard, — retention of uniforms.

To the committee on Military Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1244) of John P. Englert and others relative to the maintenance of disabled men of the military and naval forces of the United States; Disabled soldiers and sailors, — maintenance.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1245) of Matthew A. Higgins that the provision of State pay for soldiers and sailors be extended to drafted men; Drafted soldiers and sailors, — State pay.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1246) of William H. McDonnell that persons discharged from the military or naval service of the United States be reinstated in the service of municipalities; and Municipal employees, — reinstatement after war service.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1273) of Alvin E. Bliss that suitable provision be made for recognizing the service and patriotism of the Massachusetts men who served in the European war; Soldiers and sailors, — recognition of service and patriotism.

Severally to the committee on Reconstruction.

Motor-vehicles,
— registration
fees.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1126) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to the fees for the registration of motor-vehicles;

Commercial
horse-drawn
vehicles, —
marking.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1247) of M. E. Hannon and others that horse-drawn vehicles in commercial use be marked to show the ownership thereof; and

Rowley, —
improvement of
Central Street.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1252) of Cornelius F. Haley relative to the improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of Central Street in the town of Rowley;
Severally to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Feeble-minded
persons, —
registration and
supervision.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1253) of William Boyce and another relative to the registration of feeble-minded persons and to prohibiting the marriage of such persons;

Mental defi-
cients, —
State farm
colony.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1254) of R. E. Bigney for the establishment by the Commonwealth of a farm colony for mental deficient;

State em-
ployees, —
length of
service for
retirement.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1255) of Joseph W. Proctor for a reduction in the length of service necessary for retirement of employees of the Commonwealth;

Care of
orphans, —
State payment.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1256) of Daniel J. Gillen relative to the payment of money by the Commonwealth to persons caring for orphans;

Dances, —
complimentary
tickets.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1257) of James W. Hayes that giving complimentary tickets to dances be prohibited;

Dance halls, —
admission of
girls.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1258) of James W. Hayes relative to the admission of girls under the age of twenty-one to public dance halls; and

Saturday night
dances, —
restriction.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1259) of James W. Hayes that dances on Saturday nights be prohibited unless held by chartered charitable and religious organizations;

Severally to the committee on Social Welfare.

Social Law
Library, —
revocation of
charter.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1260) of Robert W. Renfrew and another that the charter of the Proprietors of the Social Law Library be revoked;

To the committee on State House and Libraries.

Assessors, —
tax returns.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1261) of George M. Worrall relative to the filing of tax returns with assessors of cities and towns;

To the committee on Taxation.

Town clerks,
— fees.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1262) of the town clerks of the towns of Deerfield, Montague, Whately and Greenfield that the compensation of town clerks for collecting, recording and making returns of the records of births, marriages and deaths be increased;

To the committee on Towns.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The bills

To authorize the city of Brockton to pension John Flynn Bills. (printed as House, No. 457); and

Authorizing the city of Lynn to retire and pension Elizabeth E. Rule (printed as House, No. 460, changed);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to pay a pension to John McCaffrey (printed as House, No. 458), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Dahlborg, the bill was laid on the table. Brockton, —
John
McCaffrey.

The Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to pension James Keough (printed as House, No. 735), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Dahlborg, the bill was laid on the table. Brockton, —
James Keough.

The House Resolve providing for the current expenses of the commissioners appointed to consolidate and arrange the General Laws (House, No. 99), — was read a second time and was amended, on motion of Mr. Gifford, by striking out all after the title and inserting in place thereof the following: — Commissioners
to consolidate
and arrange
the General
Laws, —
expenses.

"*Resolved*, That the commissioners for consolidating and arranging the general laws, under chapter forty-three of the Resolves of nineteen hundred and sixteen, are hereby authorized to expend during the month of January of the current year a sum not exceeding three thousand dollars."

The resolve, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on further motion of the same Senator, and the resolve was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of Mr. Gifford.

The Senate Bill to provide for the appointment in the county of Suffolk of trustees for county aid to agriculture (printed as House, No. 148), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 297). Suffolk
County, —
trustees of
county aid to
agriculture.

This amendment was adopted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 297), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The House Bill authorizing the city of Cambridge to retire and pension John J. McCormick (printed as Senate, No. 40), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. House bill.

The Senate reports**Senate reports.**

Of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 581) of Guy M. Winslow that provision be made for preferential voting in municipal elections in cities; and

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 24) of Coleman E. Kelley relative to the abatement of water-meter rates in the city of Boston;

Were severally accepted

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House reports**House reports.**

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 246) of The Dorchester Board of Trade relative to the investment by savings banks in mortgages on real estate;

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 247) of The Dorchester Board of Trade that trustees and officers of savings banks shall be elected by depositors;

Of the committee on Education, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Commissioners of the Massachusetts School Fund (House, No. 1);

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 108) of Willis E. Sibley relative to the vote by which certain corporations may change the purposes for which they were incorporated; and

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 218) of Howard A. Cook and another that the period be shortened within which out-going collectors of taxes in small towns shall be required to deposit their accounts and papers;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Gifford, at twenty-one minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, January 30, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. McLane, for the committee on Insurance, on the petition of W. F. McQuillen and others, a Bill to change the name of the Massachusetts Mutual Automobile Insurance Company to Automobile Mutual Fire Insurance Company (printed as House, No. 156);

Automobile
Mutual Fire
Insurance
Company.

By Mr. Sullivan, for the committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of Joseph W. Hannan and others, a Bill relative to the use of armories provided for the militia (Senate, No. 63, — changed by the committee by striking out, in lines 8, 9 and 10, and in lines 55 and 56, respectively, the words, “provided, that no compensation shall be charged for the use of an armory for such purpose”); and

Armories.

By Mr. Hastings, for the committee on Public Service, on the petition of Malcolm E. Nichols (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 25), a Bill relative to the term of office of the city clerk of Boston (Senate, No. 299) (Mr. Gillen, of the House, dissenting);

Boston, —
term of office
of city clerk.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Hastings, for the committee on Public Service, on the recommendations of the Supervisor of Administration (House, No. 322) (in part), a Bill to establish positions and salaries in the executive department of the Commonwealth (printed as House, No. 325);

Executive
department, —
positions and
salaries.

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Weston, for the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 18) of Francis F. Morse, for the Federation of State, City and Town Employees' Unions, that drawtenders and assistant drawtenders employed by the city of Boston be entitled to receive pensions (Mr. Kearney, of the Senate, and Messrs. Conroy and Greaney, of the House, dissenting);

Boston, —
pensions for
drawtenders
and assistant
drawtenders.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 35) of Francis F. Morse, for the Federation of State, City and Town Employees' Unions, that provision be made for pensioning the drawtenders and assistant drawtenders employed on the bridges between Boston and Cambridge (Mr. Kearney, of the Senate, and Messrs. Conroy and Greaney, of the House, dissenting);

Boston and
Cambridge, —
pensions for
drawtenders
and assistant
drawtenders.

Boston, —
sewer
inspectors.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 134) of Michael J. Dagle and another that sewer inspectors in the city of Boston be included in the provisions of the laborers' pension act (Mr. Kearney, of the Senate, and Messrs. Conroy and Greaney, of the House, dissenting); and

Boston, —
pensions for
all employees.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 532) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for an extension of the pension act of the city of Boston to all employees of the city (Mr. Kearney, of the Senate, and Messrs. Conroy and Greaney, of the House, dissenting);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Report.

Special recess
commission on
Education.

A Report of the special recess commission on Education, — was received; and, on motions of Mr. Chamberlain, the report was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Order.

Mr. Perrin offered the following order; and, under the rule, it was referred to the committee on Rules, to wit: —

Attorney-
General, —
opinion as to
constitution-
ality of Boston
Elevated Rail-
way Act of
1918.

Ordered, That the Senate request the opinion of the Attorney-General as to the constitutionality of chapter one hundred fifty-nine of the Special Acts of the year nineteen hundred and eighteen, entitled "An Act to provide for the public operation of the Boston Elevated Railway Company."

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Jurors, —
exemption
from duty.

A Report of the committee on Legal Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 63) of Benjamin C. Lane that persons liable for service on juries be exempt from duty at certain times, — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Lowell Textile
School.

Recommendations were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —
So much of the recommendations of the trustees of the Lowell Textile School (House, No. 1155) as relates to insuring the property of the school against loss by fire (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1156);

To the committee on Insurance.

Bureau of
Prisons.

Recommendations of the Massachusetts Bureau of Prisons (House, No. 1165):

So much as relates to the appointment of special district police officers (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1172), to the committee on Legal Affairs;

So much as relates to the treatment of communicable diseases in State institutions (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1176), to the committee on Public Health;

So much as relates to the regulation of salaries in the prison service (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1174), to the committee on Public Service; and

So much as relates to the extension of the system of identification of criminals, to the use by public institutions of articles manufactured by the labor of prisoners, and to the compensation of inmates of penal institutions (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 1171, 1173 and 1175), to the committee on Public Institutions.

Recommendations of the Board of Dental Examiners (House, No. 1179) (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1180);
To the committee on Public Health.

Board of
Dental
Examiners.

So much of the recommendations of the Trustees of Hospitals for Consumptives (House, No. 852) as relates to increasing the rate of board at State sanatoria (accompanied by bill, House, No. 866);

Trustees of
Hospitals for
Consumptives.

To the committee on Public Institutions.

The Senate petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 272) of Albert Birch relative to the commitment of insane persons (referred by the Senate to the committee on Public Institutions, and by the House, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Legal Affairs) (the Senate having insisted on its reference), — came up, with the endorsement that the House had insisted on its reference.

Insane persons,
— commitment.

The Senate receded from its reference, on motion of Mr. Dahlborg, and concurred in the reference to the committee on Legal Affairs.

The Senate petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 281) of Joseph P. Walsh that provision be made for repressing prostitution (referred by the Senate to the committee on Legal Affairs), — came up, referred, in non-concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Prostitution,
— repression.

The Senate receded from its reference, on motion of Mr. Reed, and concurred in the reference to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

The Senate petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 284) of Peter F. Sullivan that State pay for soldiers, sailors and marines be continued from the date originally provided in chapter 211 of the Acts of 1917 (referred by the Senate to the committee on Military Affairs), — came up, referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Reconstruction.

Soldiers,
sailors and
marines, —
continuance of
State pay.

The Senate receded from its reference, on motion of Mr. Sullivan, and concurred in the reference to the committee on Reconstruction.

The House petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1024) of Arthur E. Horton for legislation to establish a Massachusetts Drainage Board of Survey (referred by the House to the committee on Agriculture, and by the Senate, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Administration and Commissions), — came

Drainage
Board of
Survey.

up, with the endorsement that the House had insisted on its reference.

The Senate receded from its reference, on motion of Mr. Hobbs, and concurred in the reference to the committee on Agriculture.

Connecticut
Valley Park
Reservation
Commission.

The House petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1044) of Francis X. Quigley for the establishment of a Connecticut Valley Park Reservation Commission (referred by the House to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, and by the Senate, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Administration and Commissions), — came up, with the endorsement that the House had insisted on its reference.

The Senate receded from its reference, on motion of Mr. Hobbs, and concurred in the reference to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Acts and
resolves, —
printing and
distribution.

The House petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1067) of J. Weston Allen relative to the printing and distribution of the laws passed by the General Court (referred by the House to the committee on Legal Affairs, and by the Senate, in non-concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary), — came up, with the endorsement that the House had insisted on its reference.

The Senate insisted on its reference, on motion of Mr. Cavanagh, by a vote of 22 to 0; and the petition was returned to the House endorsed accordingly.

Metropolitan
district, —
improved
transportation
facilities.

A petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1265) of Charles A. Ufford for improved freight and passenger transportation in the metropolitan district (having been deposited in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, under the provisions of section 7 of chapter 3 of the Revised Laws), — was referred, in concurrence, to the committees on Street Railways and Metropolitan Affairs, sitting jointly.

Lowell, —
new charter.

House petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —
Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1301) of Thomas J. Corbett for a new charter for the city of Lowell;
To the committee on Cities.

Burial lots
and tombs, —
ownership.

Petition of Charles Almy and others in aid of the petition of Alfred Morton Cutler and others relative to the ownership of burial lots and tombs;
To the committee on Legal Affairs.

Dennis, —
Swan Lake
Cemetery Asso-
ciation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1224) of Jonathan P. Edwards and others for the incorporation of the Swan Lake Cemetery Association in the town of Dennis; and

Theatre tickets,
— sale.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1225) of John P. Englert and others relative to the sale of theatre tickets;
Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

State Guard, —
retention of
uniforms.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1271) of Walter H. Creamer and others that members of the State Guard be allowed to retain their uniforms;

To the committee on Military Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1272) of William J. Foley and others relative to increasing the salaries of justices, clerks and assistant clerks of certain police, district and municipal courts; Police, district and municipal courts, — salaries.

To the committee on Public Service.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1251) of Leland Powers relative to the law of the road; Law of the road.

To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Bill to provide for the appointment in the county of Suffolk of trustees for county aid to agriculture (Senate, No. 297), — was considered; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Smith. Suffolk County, — trustees for county aid to agriculture.

The Senate Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to establish a board of trustees to have the care, management and control of Melrose Cemetery in said city (printed as House, No. 187), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Dahlborg, it was recommitted to the committee on Cities. Brockton, — Melrose Cemetery.

The House Bill to establish the compensation of assessors (House, No. 174), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Tarbell, it was referred to the committee on Towns. Assessors, — compensation.

Sent down for concurrence.

The bills

To authorize the city of Brockton to pension N. Dennis Tribou (printed as House, No. 456); and Bills.

Relative to the South Congregational Society and Church of Springfield (House, No. 197);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bills

To authorize the city of Brockton to pension John Flynn (printed as House, No. 457); and Senate bills.

Authorizing the city of Lynn to retire and pension Elizabeth E. Rule (printed as House, No. 460, changed);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill authorizing the city of New Bedford to pay a sum of money to the parents of Charles Kwiatkowski (House, No. 104), — was read a third time. New Bedford, — parents of Charles Kwiatkowski.

Mr. Jackson moved that the bill be amended by striking out section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following new section: "SECTION 1. The city of New Bedford may pay to Stanislaw Kwiatkowski and Stanislaw Kwiatkowski, the parents of Charles Kwiatkowski, who was shot and killed September second, nineteen hundred and eighteen, while assisting the police of said city in enforcing the law, an annuity not exceeding five hundred

dollars annually, and not exceeding in the aggregate the total sum of five thousand dollars."

This amendment was rejected, by a vote of 7 to 12.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

House bill.

The House Bill to authorize the city of Revere to pay an annuity to the widow of Clarence F. Borden (House, No. 1275), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Medford, —
primary
elections.

The Senate Report of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 58) of Fred J. Burrell relative to primary elections in the city of Medford, — was considered, the question being on accepting it.

On motion of Mr. Hobbs, the report was amended by striking out the words "petitioner have leave to withdraw", and inserting in place thereof the words "petition be referred to the next General Court".

The report, as amended, was then accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Callahan, at seventeen minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

FRIDAY, January 31, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Beck, for the committee on Rules, that the Senate Order that the Senate request the opinion of the Attorney-General as to the constitutionality of chapter one hundred fifty-nine of the Special Acts of the year nineteen hundred and eighteen, entitled "An Act to provide for the public operation of the Boston Elevated Railway Company," — ought to be adopted;

Attorney-General, — opinion as to constitutionality of Boston Elevated Railway Act of 1918.

Read, and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator, and adopted.

By Mr. Beck, for the same committee, that the following Senate order ought to be adopted: —

Ordered, That the Board of Education be requested to investigate the subject of the educational needs of returning and returned soldiers, sailors and marines, especially those whose training and education were interrupted by their induction into the Federal service, with a view to legislation providing for the completion of their education or for their re-education at the expense of the Commonwealth in existing institutions of learning or otherwise, and to report to the Senate on or before the first day of March in the current year.

Board of Education, — educational needs of returning soldiers, sailors and marines.

Read, and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator, and adopted.

By Mr. Beck, for the joint committee on Rules, that the Senate Order that the committee on Education be authorized to visit in the discharge of its duties the cities of Boston, Fall River, Fitchburg and New Bedford and the towns of Amherst, Dighton, Framingham and Walpole on or before March 1, 1919, — ought to be adopted with an amendment, adding after the word "Fitchburg" the word "Lowell";

Committee on Education, — travel.

Read, and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator, amended, as had been recommended by the joint committee on Rules, and, as amended, adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

By Mr. Beck, for the joint committee on Rules, that the Senate Order that the joint committee on Public Lighting be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the city of Taunton, on or before February 8, — ought to be adopted with an amendment, striking out "February 8" and inserting in place thereof "February 19";

Committee on Public Lighting, — travel.

Read, and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator, amended, as had been recommended by the joint committee on Rules, and, as amended, adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Westfield
Athenium.

By Mr. Churchill, for the committee on Education, on the petition of the Westfield Athenium and the town solicitor of Westfield, a Bill relative to the Westfield Athenium (Senate, No. 137);

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Consolidation
and arrange-
ment of Gen-
eral Laws, —
extension of
time.

By Mr. Cavanagh, for the joint committee on the Judiciary, on the report of said commission (House, No. 1270) (in part), a Resolve to extend the time for filing the final report of the commissioners to consolidate and arrange the General Laws (Senate, No. 300);

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Registers of
deeds, — sale
of certain
stamps.

By Mr. Brown, for the committee on Counties, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 190) of Robert T. Fowler relative to the sale of certain stamps by registers of deeds;

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Committees Discharged.

Probate courts,
— appeals.

Mr. Cavanagh, for the joint committee on the Judiciary, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 619) of Frank W. Grinnell for regulation of appeals from probate courts, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Legal Affairs;

Boston, —
construction of
certain
highways.

Mr. Halliwell, for the committee on Municipal Finance, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 963) of Ralph Adams Cram for the construction by the city of Boston of a highway from Eliot Street to Church Green and for the relocating and widening of Bedford Street from Kingston Street to Church Green, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs; and

Members of
General Court,
— clerical
assistance.

Mr. Beck, for the joint committee on Rules, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 247) of Arthur L. Nason for legislation to provide allowance for clerical and similar expenses for members of the General Court, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Public Service;

The reports were severally read and accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Beck, the Report of the special commission to investigate the water resources of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 298), — was taken from the table; and it was referred to the committee on Waterways and Terminals.

Commission to investigate water resources, — report.

On motion of Mr. Colburn, the Report of the special commission on the Sheep Industry, Agriculture and related matters (Senate, No. 293), — was taken from the table; and it was referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Commission on Sheep Industry and Agriculture, — report.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Report.

A Report of the joint special recess committee on Taxation, — was received; and, on motions of Mr. Beck, the report was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Joint special recess committee on Taxation, — report.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

The Senate Bill to postpone the taking effect of chapter two hundred and fifty-seven of the General Acts of nineteen hundred and eighteen (Senate, No. 295), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment in the title, adding at the end thereof the words “, making certain substantive corrections in existing laws.”

Substantive corrections in existing laws.

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the amendment was considered forthwith, and was adopted, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

A Bill to change the harbor line on the westerly side of Fish Island in New Bedford harbor (House, No. 109, on the petition of John Duff), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

New Bedford harbor, — harbor lines.

Reports

Of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 245) of Wilfrid Wheeler that Theodore Wein of Boston be compensated for injury received while employed by the State Department of Agriculture;

Theodore Wein, — compensation for injuries.

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw: On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 192) of George H. Garfield relative to the length of lobsters that may be sold or had in possession; and

Lobsters, — legal length.

On the petitions (accompanied by bill, House, No. 253) of George H. Garfield and others relative to the taking of scallops in the town of Dennis;

Dennis, — taking of scallops.

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 43) of Thomas A. Niland for an investigation of the brakes used on cars of the Boston Elevated Railway Company and other street railway companies;

Boston Elevated and other street railway companies, — investigation of brakes on cars.

Railroad and street railway cars, — ventilation.

Boston Elevated Railway Company, — cleaning of cars.

Certain personal property, — tax exemption.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 92) of M. A. O'Brien, Jr., for an investigation of the subject of the ventilation of railroad and street railway cars; and

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 536) of Joseph B. Aigen relative to requiring the cleaning of cars of the Boston Elevated Railway Company; and

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 839) of the Massachusetts Assessors Association that certain personal property be exempt from taxation;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Homestead Commission.

So much of the recommendations of the Homestead Commission (House, No. 1152) as relates to authorizing said commission to employ a secretary (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1154), — was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.

Boston Elevated Railway Company, — five-cent fare.

The Senate petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 54) of John J. Walsh that the maximum rate of fare charged by the Boston Elevated Railway Company be five cents and that any deficiency in revenue be paid by the Commonwealth (referred by the Senate to the committees on Street Railways and Metropolitan Affairs, sitting jointly), — came up, with the endorsement that the House had suspended the 9th joint rule with reference thereto; and that it had concurred in the reference to the committees on Street Railways and Metropolitan Affairs, sitting jointly, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of said rule and in the instructions.

Massachusetts Agricultural College, — dormitory for women.

House petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1277) of George H. Ellis for the construction of a dormitory and other accommodations for women at the Massachusetts Agricultural College;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committees on Agriculture and Education, sitting jointly.

Cambridge, — pension for John McElligott.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1278) of John A. Kelleher that the city of Cambridge be authorized to pension John McElligott; and

Melrose, — pension for Charles E. Merrill.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1279) of Charles H. Adams, mayor, that the city of Melrose be authorized to pension Charles E. Merrill;

Severally, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, in each instance, to the committee on Cities.

Tag-day methods, — restriction.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1282) of Albert P. Wadleigh relative to the prevention of the abuse or misuse of the so-called "tag day" method of soliciting from the public;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1308) of Charles Logue and others relative to the housing of the people of the city of Boston; Boston. — housing conditions.

To the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 960) of Cornelius F. Haley relative to war allowances and State aid for certain residents of the Commonwealth who have served in the army or navy of the United States; Soldiers and sailors, — war allowances and State aid.

To the committee on Military Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1283) of Samuel H. Wragg and Marian C. Burrows for legislation in favor of the widow of Charles T. Burrows; and Widow of Charles H. Burrows, — compensation.

Petition (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 1284 and 1285) of B. L. Young for the continuance of State aid to the families of soldiers and sailors and for soldiers' relief after discharge from the service; Soldiers and sailors, — State aid and relief.

Severally, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, in each instance, to the committee on Military Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1286) of the mayor and city solicitor of Brockton that said city be authorized to incur indebtedness for extending its surface drainage system; and Brockton, — indebtedness for surface drainage.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1287) of Joseph A. Murphy that the town of Canton be authorized to refund certain indebtedness; Canton, — refunding of indebtedness.

Severally, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, in each instance, to the committee on Municipal Finance.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1288) of Benjamin B. Jones that the town of Berkley be compensated for the tuition of certain children on parole from the Massachusetts Training Schools; Berkley, — tuition of children on parole.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Public Institutions.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1119) of James E. Odlin and others that State pay be granted soldiers and sailors from this Commonwealth in the Federal service; Soldiers and sailors in Federal service, — State pay.

To the committee on Reconstruction.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1297) of William A. Kneeland for the establishment of a commission for the benefit of honorably discharged soldiers and sailors; Soldiers and sailors, — welfare commission.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Reconstruction.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1293) of the mayor of the city of Leominster for the improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of Prospect Street in said city; Leominster, — State improvement of Prospect Street.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Emergency Preambles Adopted and Bills Enacted.

Substantive
corrections in
existing laws.

An engrossed Bill to postpone the taking effect of chapter two hundred and fifty-seven of the General Acts of nineteen hundred and eighteen, making certain substantive corrections in existing laws (which originated in the Senate) (see Senate, No. 295, amended), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 32.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
McIntosh, David S.

Messrs. Perrin, Harold L.
Smith, Charles S.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 7.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

The bill was then passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Water for
Watertown
and Belmont,
— interest on
State bonds.

An engrossed Bill relative to the rate of interest on bonds issued to provide an additional water supply for the towns of Watertown and Belmont (which originated in the House) (see House, No. 1268, amended), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.

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Messrs. Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.

Messrs. Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 34.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.

Messrs. McIntosh, David S.
Smith, Charles S. — 5.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

The bill was then passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

An engrossed Bill to authorize cities and towns to appropriate money to celebrate the return of soldiers and sailors (which originated in the House) (see House, No. 1276, amended), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

Municipal appropriations, — return of soldiers and sailors.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 32.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
McIntosh, David S.

Messrs. Perrin, Harold L.
Smith, Charles S.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 7.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

The bill was then passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Resolve Passed.

Resolve passed
and laid before
the Governor.

An engrossed Resolve confirming the acts of J. Joseph Cooper of Brockton as a notary public (which originated in the House), was passed; and it was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Armories.

The Senate Bill relative to the use of armories provided for the militia (Senate, No. 63, changed), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Hobbs, it was recommitted to the committee on Military Affairs.

Bills.

The bills

Relative to the term of office of the city clerk of Boston (Senate, No. 299); and

To change the name of the Massachusetts Mutual Automobile Insurance Company to Automobile Mutual Fire Insurance Company (printed as House, No. 156);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Senate bill.

The Senate Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to pension N. Dennis Tribou (printed as House, No. 456), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

House bill.

The House Bill relative to the South Congregational Society and Church of Springfield (House, No. 197), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Senate reports.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 18) of Francis F. Morse, for the Federation of State, City and Town Employees' Unions, that drawtenders and assistant drawtenders employed by the city of Boston be entitled to receive pensions;

Of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 35) of Francis F. Morse, for the Federation of State, City and Town Employees' Unions, that provision be made for pensioning the drawtenders and assistant drawtenders employed on the bridges between Boston and Cambridge; and

Of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 134) of Michael J. Dagle and another that sewer inspectors in the city of Boston be included in the provisions of the laborers' pension act;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Boston, —
pensions for
all employees.

The Senate Report of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 532) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federa-

tion of Labor for an extension of the pension act of the city of Boston to all employees of the city, — was considered, the question being on accepting it. On motion of Mr. Kearney, the report was laid on the table.

The House Report of the committee on Legal Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 63) of Benjamin C. Lane that persons liable for service on juries be exempt from duty at certain times, — was accepted, in concurrence. House report.

On motion of Mr. Brown, at six minutes before twelve o'clock A.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, February 3, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Bill Recalled from the Governor.

State securities
to be issued in
1919, — interest.

On motion of Mr. Beck, it was voted that a message be sent to his Excellency the Governor requesting the return to the Senate of the engrossed Bill relative to the rate of interest on bonds issued to provide an additional water supply for the towns of Watertown and Belmont (see House, No. 1268, amended).

Mr. Beck was appointed the messenger. Subsequently, the bill was returned and was laid before the Senate. The same Senator moved that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had passed the bill to be enacted; and this motion prevailed.

On further motions of Mr. Beck, Senate Rule No. 49 was suspended and the bill was amended in section 1, by inserting before the words "so as to read as follows" the words "The bonds issued under this act shall be designated on the face thereof 'Metropolitan Water Loan.'"

Sent down for concurrence in the amendment.

Reports of Committees.

Probate court,
— entry of
appeals.

By Mr. Walsh, for the committee on Legal Affairs, on the petition of George M. Poland (accompanied by bill, House, No. 480), a Bill relative to the entry of appeals from the probate court (Senate, No. 301);

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Middlesex
County, —
clerical assist-
ance for register
of probate and
insolvency.
Id.

By Mr. Loring, for the committee on Public Service, on the petition of Frederick M. Esty, a Bill relative to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Middlesex (Senate, No. 69); and

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of Frederick M. Esty, a Bill relative to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Middlesex (Senate, No. 70);

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Communication.

Employment
offices, — em-
ployment for
returning
soldiers and
sailors.

A communication from the Director of the Bureau of Statistics relative to the coöperation by employment offices with existing agencies in finding employment for returning soldiers and sailors, — was received; and it was placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Beck, the communication was ordered to be printed as a Senate document (Senate, No. 302).

Order.

Mr. Colburn offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the town of Amherst and the city of Northampton, on or before February 15.

Committee on
Agriculture,
— travel.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill to authorize the city of Cambridge to pay a pension to Minor F. Hamlin (House, No. 574, changed, — on the petition of Julius Meyers), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Cambridge, —
pension to
Minor F.
Hamlin.

Reports

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 10) of Thomas A. Niland that members of the Public Service Commission be elected by the people; and

Public Service
Commission,
— election of
members.

Of the committee on State House and Libraries, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 41) of Walter Gilman Page for the erection on the State House grounds of a reproduction of the John Hancock house for use as an historical museum and memorial building;

John Hancock
house, —
museum and
memorial.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

The annual abstract of the annual report of the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board (House, No. 1310), — was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Metropolitan
Water and
Sewerage
Board, — ab-
stract of report.

The special report of The Adjutant General relative to expenditures by cities, towns, private corporations, associations and individuals in connection with the State Guard during the year 1917 (House, No. 1309), — was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Military Affairs.

Adjutant
General, —
expenditures
for the State
Guard.

The following House order was adopted, in concurrence: —

Ordered, That twelve hundred additional copies of the list of committees for the current year be printed for the use of the members of the General Court.

List of
committees, —
additional
copies.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

To authorize the town of Danvers to make an additional water loan; and

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

Authorizing the city of Cambridge to retire and pension John J. McCormick.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

- Bills.** The bills
Relative to the Westfield Athenæum (Senate, No. 137); and
To change the harbor line on the westerly side of Fish Island
in New Bedford Harbor (House, No. 109);
Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third
reading.

- Senate bills.** The Senate bills
Relative to the term of office of the city clerk of Boston
(Senate, No. 299); and
To change the name of the Massachusetts Mutual Automobile
Insurance Company to Automobile Mutual Fire Insurance Com-
pany (printed as House, No. 156);
Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.
Severally sent down for concurrence.

- Senate report.** The Senate Report of the committee on Counties, leave to
withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 190)
of Robert T. Fowler relative to the sale of certain stamps by
registers of deeds, — was accepted.
Sent down for concurrence.

- Dennis, —
taking of
scallops.** The House Report of the committee on Fisheries and Game,
leave to withdraw, on the petitions (accompanied by bill, House,
No. 253) of George H. Garfield and others relative to the taking
of scallops in the town of Dennis, — was considered; and, pend-
ing the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the
further consideration thereof was postponed until the following
Monday, on motion of Mr. Gifford.

- House reports.** The House reports
Of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the
petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 245) of Wilfrid
Wheeler that Theodore Wein of Boston be compensated for in-
jury received while employed by the State Department of Agri-
culture;
Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw,
on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 192) of George
H. Garfield relative to the length of lobsters that may be sold or
had in possession;
Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on
the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 43) of Thomas
A. Niland for an investigation of the brakes used on cars of the
Boston Elevated Railway Company and other street railway
companies;
Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on
the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 92) of M. A.
O'Brien, Jr., for an investigation of the subject of the ventilation
of railroad and street railway cars;

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 536) of Joseph B. Aigen relative to requiring the cleaning of cars of the Boston Elevated Railway Company; and

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 839) of the Massachusetts Assessors Association that certain personal property be exempt from taxation;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Gifford, at twenty minutes past two o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, February 4, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*Buzzard's Bay,
— fish weirs,
etc.

By Mr. Prescott, for the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 589) of James F. Kiernan relative to prohibiting the construction of weirs, pounds, nets or fish traps in Buzzard's Bay; and

Wellesley, —
chief of fire
department.

By Mr. Reed, for the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 171) of James J. Manning and others relative to the election of the chief of the fire department in the town of Wellesley;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

*Committee Discharged.*Merrimack
River, —
navigation and
terminal
facilities.

Mr. Beck, for the committee on Waterways and Terminals, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of so much of the recommendations of the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands (House, No. 432) as relates to authorizing the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands to make surveys and plans for estimating the cost of improving navigation and providing terminal facilities on the Merrimack River (see House, No. 440), and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

The report was read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Taken from the Table.*Boston, —
extension of
pension act.

On motion of Mr. Kearney, the Senate Report of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 532) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for an extension of the pension act of the city of Boston to all employees of the city, — was taken from the table; and the report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Petitions.*Berkshire
County, —
clerical assist-
ance for register

The following petitions were presented and referred: —

By Mr. Hastings, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 303) of Arthur M. Robinson for an increase in the amount al-

lowed for clerical assistance for the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Berkshire;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. Beck, to the committee on Public Service.

By Mr. Hastings, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 304) of George A. Hastings that cities and towns be required to make just and adequate financial provision for returned or returning soldiers, sailors or marines until they secure remunerative employment;

Soldiers, sailors and marines, — municipal aid until they secure employment.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. Beck, to the committee on Reconstruction.

By Mr. Brown, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 305) of Charles D. Brown that the county commissioners for the county of Essex be authorized to construct a highway between the town of Rockport and the city of Gloucester;

Essex County, — highway between Rockport and Gloucester.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. Beck, to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill relative to the tenure of office of the city clerk of Quincy (House, No. 132, on the petition of the mayor of said city), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Quincy, — tenure of office of city clerk.

Reports

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 82) of Thomas A. Niland relative to increasing the penalty for the unlawful sale or giving of narcotic drugs to children; and

Giving narcotic drugs to children, — penalty.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 83) of Coleman E. Kelly that first-aid articles and medicines be kept in drug stores for use in cases of accident;

Drug stores, — first-aid articles and medicines.

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 163) of Thomas A. Niland relative to an audit of the accounts of the Boston Elevated Railway Company; and

Boston Elevated Railway Company, — audit of accounts.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 710) of James J. Mellen for legislation to prohibit the overcrowding of cars of street and elevated railway companies; and

Street and elevated railway cars, — overcrowding.

Of the committee on Taxation, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 175) of Frank E. Jeanette relative to certain exemptions from taxation for veterans of the Indian wars;

Veterans of Indian wars, — tax exemptions.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

A Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 787) of John H. Cogswell and another that the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands be authorized to dredge flats in Lynn Harbor and to develop the

Lynn Harbor and adjacent uplands, — improvement.

uplands adjacent thereto, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, — was read and accepted, in concurrence.

Supervisor of
Administration,
— delay in
publishing the
Blue Book
for 1918.

A special report of the Supervisor of Administration relative to the reasons for the delay in the printing and publication of the Blue Book for 1918, and making suggestions for the earlier publication of future issues of said volume (House, No. 1304), — was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on Rules.

Public Service
Commission, —
guard-rails at
elevated and
subway
stations.

A special report of the Public Service Commission relative to the advisability of constructing suitable guard-rails for the protection of passengers at the elevated railway stations and in subways under the control of the Boston Elevated Railway Company in the city of Boston (House, No. 1295), — was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Street Railways.

Coal, — State
purchase
and sale.

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to the House petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1319) of John H. Sullivan that provision be made for the purchase and sale of coal by the Commonwealth; and, accordingly, under the said rule, the petition was referred to the next General Court.

Eastern
Hampden
Agricultural
Society.

The following House petitions were referred, in concurrence: —
Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1311) of Charles H. Chamberlain, secretary, and another that the Eastern Hampden Agricultural Society be reimbursed for losses sustained due to the closing of its fair by the State Department of Health;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Agriculture.

Coöperative
banks, —
withdrawal
charges.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1312) of John R. Hudson relative to abolishing withdrawal charges of coöperative banks;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Brockton, —
William W.
Thompson.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1313) of the mayor and city solicitor of Brockton that said city be authorized to pay a pension to William W. Thompson;

Pittsfield, —
special
payments to
police officers.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1314) of John G. Orr that the city of Pittsfield be authorized to pay certain members of its police department for volunteer services during the recent epidemic of influenza; and

Pittsfield, —
widows of
certain police
officers.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1315) of John G. Orr that the city of Pittsfield be authorized to pay sums of money to Margaret Condron and Henrietta Bartell, widows of members of the police department of said city;

Severally, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, in each instance, to the committee on Cities.

Norfolk
County
Agricultural

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1317) of Ernest H. Gilbert and another, trustees, that the Norfolk County Agricul-

tural School be authorized to take certain land and construct certain buildings; School, — land and buildings.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Education.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1320) of Frederick P. Glazier that the town of Hudson be reimbursed for expenses incurred in suppressing the epidemic of influenza; Hudson, — expenses during influenza epidemic.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1321) of John G. Orr that the city of Pittsfield be reimbursed for moneys expended in suppressing the epidemic of influenza; and Pittsfield, — reimbursement for expenses of epidemic.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1322) of Hugh J. McMackin and another that the manufacture of carbonated beverages, non-alcoholic beverages and soft drinks be regulated; Carbonated and non-alcoholic beverages, — manufacture.

Severally, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, in each instance, to the committee on Public Health.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1289) of Charles A. Kelley and another that Frank McDonald of Worcester be compensated for injuries received while an inmate of the Worcester State Hospital; and Frank McDonald of Worcester, — compensation for injuries.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1290) of Pehr G. Holmes, mayor, and others relative to the payment of rental by the trustees of the Worcester State Hospital to the city of Worcester for the use of sewerage facilities; Worcester State Hospital, — rental of sewerage facilities.

Severally, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, in each instance, to the committee on Public Institutions.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1323) of Charles L. Burrill relative to the appointment of an additional member of the district police for service in the department of the Treasurer and Receiver-General; Treasurer and Receiver-General, — district police officer.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Public Service.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1298) of The Dorchester Board of Trade for a physical connection between the Shawmut branch of the Old Colony Railroad Company and the Midland division of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company; Mattapan in Boston, — extension of Shawmut branch railroad to the Midland division.

Under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, to the committee on Railroads, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1324) of John R. Hudson for an investigation by the Public Service Commission of the abolition of the grade crossing of the Boston and Maine Railroad and Moody Street in the city of Waltham; Waltham, — abolition of grade crossing at Moody Street.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Railroads.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1292) of Edgar J. Buck for the construction by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a highway in the town of Leicester; Leicester, — State highway.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Lynn, —
acquisition of
the Bay State
Street Railway.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1305) of Ralph S. Bauer relative to the acquisition and operation by the city of Lynn of lines and equipment of the Bay State Street Railway Company within said city;

Under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

Building enter-
prises, — tax
exemptions.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1325) of Henry Achin, Jr., that cities and towns be authorized to exempt from taxation certain new building enterprises;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Taxation.

Chatham, —
State publica-
tions and
ballot-boxes.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1326) of Frederic W. Eddy and others that the Secretary of the Commonwealth furnish certain books, documents and ballot-boxes to the town of Chatham;

Hudson, —
compensation
of certain police
officers.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1327) of Frederick P. Glazier that the town of Hudson be authorized to compensate certain members of its police force for volunteer services during the epidemic of influenza;

Forest-fire
observation
towers.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1328) of Everett W. Coleman that cities and towns be authorized to construct and maintain forest-fire observation towers;

Milton, —
widow of
Thomas F.
McDermott.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1329) of Maurice A. Duffy and others that the town of Milton be authorized to pay an annuity to the widow of Thomas F. McDermott who was killed in the performance of his duty as a fireman; and

Milton, —
widow of
Patrick
Moran.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1330) of Maurice A. Duffy and others that the town of Milton be authorized to pay an annuity to the widow of Patrick Moran who was killed in the discharge of his duty as a fireman;

Severally, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, in each instance, to the committee on Towns.

Fire District
in the Town of
Dalton, —
water supply.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1306) of Frederick E. Crane and another that the Fire District in the Town of Dalton be authorized to take and use the Windsor reservoir and certain waters in the towns of Dalton, Hinsdale, Cheshire, Peru and Windsor;

Under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the House) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To authorize the city of Revere to pay an annuity to the widow of Clarence F. Borden;

Authorizing the city of New Bedford to pay a sum of money to the parents of Charles Kwiatkowski; and

Relative to the rate of interest on bonds issued to provide an additional water supply for the towns of Watertown and Belmont.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Bill relative to the entry of appeals from the probate court (Senate, No. 301), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Walsh, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Friday. Probate court,
— entry of
appeals.

The Bill to authorize the city of Cambridge to pay a pension Bill. to Minor F. Hamlin (House, No. 574, changed), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill relative to the Westfield Athenæum (Senate, No. 137), — was read a third time and was amended, on motion of Mr. Churchill, by adding the following new section: "SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage." Westfield
Athenæum.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

The House Bill to change the harbor line on the westerly side of Fish Island in New Bedford Harbor (House, No. 109), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Brown. House bill.

The House reports

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 10) of Thomas A. Niland that members of the Public Service Commission be elected by the people; and House reports.

Of the committee on State House and Libraries, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 41) of Walter Gilman Page for the erection on the State House grounds of a reproduction of the John Hancock house for use as an historical museum and memorial building;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Walsh, at sixteen minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, February 5, 1919.

Met according to adjournment, Mr. Beck in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

Boston, —
reinstatement
of John W.
Leahon.

By Mr. Jackson, for the committee on Cities, on the petition of John J. Kearney, a Bill to provide for the reinstatement of John W. Leahon in the public works department of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 176);

Boston, —
widow of Elli-
son B. Cushing.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of Alice C. Cushing, a Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the widow of Ellison B. Cushing (printed as House, No. 571);

Boston, —
hospitals.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of Andrew J. Peters, mayor, a Bill relative to hospitals in the city of Boston (printed as House, No. 573);

Boston, —
reserve police
force.

By Mr. Foley, for the same committee, on the recommendations of the police commissioner for said city (House, No. 340), a Bill to abolish the reserve police force in the city of Boston (printed as House, No. 341);

Boston, —
reinstatement,
of Daniel J.
O'Sullivan.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of Daniel C. Murphy, a Bill relative to the reinstatement of Daniel J. O'Sullivan in the public works department of the city of Boston (printed as House, No. 454, — changed by the committee by adding at the end of section 1 the words "Said reappointment shall be made on or before the thirty-first day of December in the current year");

Phillips
Academy.

By Mr. Counihan, for the committee on Education, on the petition of Alfred L. Ripley, a Bill to authorize the trustees of Phillips Academy to hold additional real and personal estate (Senate, No. 72, — changed by the committee in section 1, by striking out all after the word "thereof", in line 9, and inserting in place thereof the words "to an amount not exceeding four million dollars");

Taunton, —
matron of
police depart-
ment.

By Mr. Hastings, for the committee on Public Service, on the petition of Silas D. Reed, a Bill to place the matron of the police department of the city of Taunton under the civil service laws (Senate, No. 119); and

Beverly, —
chief of police.

By Mr. Loring, for the same committee, on the petition of James A. Torrey, a Bill to place the chief of police of the city of Beverly under the civil service laws (printed as House, No. 519, — changed by the committee by adding the following new section: "SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the mayor and aldermen of the city of Beverly on or before the thirty-first day of December in the current year");

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Jackson, for the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 452) of John B. Cashman relative to payment for overtime work to employees of the city of Boston;

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill relative to the instruction of the adult blind at their home (House, No. 1142, — on the recommendations of the Massachusetts Commission for the Blind, House, No. 1141), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills

To change the name of the Contractors Mutual Liability Insurance Company to Federal Mutual Liability Insurance Company (House, No. 157, on the petition of Charles B. Jopp and others);

To authorize the city of Lynn to retire and pension Reuben J. Mansir (House, No. 577, on the petition of Charles B. Frothingham and others);

Relative to the signing of tax warrants (House, No. 836, on the petition of Charles B. Palmer); and

Relative to exemption from the payment of poll-taxes of persons in the military or naval service of the United States (House, No. 1307, — on the petition of John Mitchell, accompanied by bill, House, No. 94);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Reports

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 279) of John L. Donovan relative to the transportation of passengers by street railway companies during certain epidemics; and

Of the committee on Taxation, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 44) of Charles A. Kelley that war veterans be exempted from the payment of poll-taxes;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

A Report of the joint committee on Rules, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 699) of Albert L. Whitman relative to the compensation of the members of the General Court, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Public Service, — was read and accepted, in concurrence.

A Report of the joint committee on Rules, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1264) of E. Mark Sullivan for the appointment of a commission to consider uniform State legislation relative to the wages of women and minors in industry, and

Boston, —
payment for
overtime work.

Adult blind, —
home instruction.

Contractors
Mutual Liability Insurance
Company, —
change of
name.

Lynn, —
pension for
Reuben J.
Mansir.

Tax warrants,
— signing.

Soldiers and
sailors, —
poll-tax
exemptions.

Street railway
companies, —
transportation
of passengers
during
epidemics.

War veterans,
— poll-tax
exemptions.

Members of
the General
Court, —
compensation.

Women and
minors, —
uniform State
legislation.

recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Social Welfare, — was read; and the Senate concurred in the reference to the committee on Social Welfare.

Secretary of
the Common-
wealth, —
annual report.

The twenty-seventh annual report of the Secretary of the Commonwealth (Pub. Doc. No. 46), was referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

So much as relates to the filing of returns by certain banks, to the committee on Banks and Banking;

So much as relates to fees of city and town clerks for recording and transmitting returns of births, marriages and deaths, to the committee on Legal Affairs;

So much as relates to completing the indexes to the records of births, marriages and deaths, to burial and removal permits, to the registration of still-births, to facts required on the standard certificates of death, and to the adoption of a standard certificate of birth, to the committee on Public Health; and

So much as relates to the appointment of an additional index clerk in the archives department, to the committee on Public Service.

Boston Ele-
vated and
West End
Street Railway
companies, —
State owner-
ship.

The Senate petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 52) of the Germantown Citizens Association that provision be made for State ownership and control of the Boston Elevated Railway Company and the West End Street Railway Company (referred by the Senate to the committees on Street Railways and Metropolitan Affairs, sitting jointly), — came up, with the endorsement that the House had suspended the 9th joint rule with reference thereto; and that it had concurred in the reference to the committees on Street Railways and Metropolitan Affairs, sitting jointly, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of said rule and in the instructions.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Bill.

The Bill relative to the tenure of office of the city clerk of Quincy (House, No. 132), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

House bill.

The House Bill to authorize the city of Cambridge to retire and pension Minor F. Hamlin (House, No. 574, changed) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate reports

Senate reports.

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 589) of James F. Kiernan relative to prohibiting the construction of weirs, pounds, nets or fish traps in Buzzard's Bay; and

Of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 171) of James J. Man-

ning and others relative to the election of the chief of the fire department in the town of Wellesley;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House reports

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 82) of Thomas A. Niland relative to increasing the penalty for the unlawful sale or giving of narcotic drugs to children; House reports.

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 83) of Coleman E. Kelly that first-aid articles and medicines be kept in drug stores for use in cases of accident;

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 163) of Thomas A. Niland relative to an audit of the accounts of the Boston Elevated Railway Company;

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 710) of James J. Mellen for legislation to prohibit the overcrowding of cars of street and elevated railway companies; and

Of the committee on Taxation, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 175) of Frank E. Jeanette relative to certain exemptions from taxation for veterans of the Indian wars;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hardy of Worcester, at nineteen minutes past two o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, February 6, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*Savings banks,
— limit of
deposits.

By Mr. Jackson, for the committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of the Massachusetts Savings Banks Association, a Bill to increase the limit which may be deposited in savings banks or institutions for savings (printed as House, No. 564);

Holyoke, —
next of kin of
Dennis
Sullivan.

By the same Senator, for the committee on Cities, on the petition of John Cronin (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 173), a Bill authorizing the city of Holyoke to pay a sum of money to the next of kin of Dennis Sullivan (Senate, No. 306);

Holyoke, —
widow of
John Nugent.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of John Cronin (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 175), a Bill authorizing the city of Holyoke to pay a sum of money to the widow of John Nugent (Senate, No. 307);

Holyoke, —
widow of
Thomas
Monahan.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of John Cronin (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 174), a Bill authorizing the city of Holyoke to pay a sum of money to the widow of Thomas Monahan (Senate, No. 308); and

Holyoke, —
mother of
James Walsh.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of John Cronin (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 289), a Bill to authorize the city of Holyoke to pay a sum of money to the mother of James Walsh (Senate, No. 309);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Committee on
Agriculture, —
travel.

By Mr. Eames, for the joint committee on Rules, that the Senate Order that the committee on Agriculture be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the town of Amherst and the city of Northampton on or before February 15, — ought to be adopted;

Read, and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

*Report.*Joint special
recess com-
mittee on
Workmen's
Compensation,
— report.

A Report of the joint special recess committee on Workmen's Compensation, — was received; and, on motions of Mr. Beck, the report was laid on the table and was ordered to be printed.

Additional Copies of Reports Ordered Printed.

On motion of Mr. Beck, —

Commission to
investigate
water
resources, —
report.

Voted, That there be printed one thousand additional copies of the Report of the special commission to investigate the water resources of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 298).

On motion of Mr. Colburn, —

Voted, That there be printed one thousand additional copies of the Report of the special commission on the sheep industry, agriculture and related matters (Senate, No. 293).

Commission
on sheep in-
dustry and
agriculture,
— report.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

To authorize the county of Suffolk to pension Timothy R. Sullivan (printed as Senate, No. 97, on the petition of William J. Foley);

Suffolk
County, —
Timothy R.
Sullivan.

To authorize the county of Bristol to retire and pension John H. Pollock (House, No. 152, on the petition of the county commissioners of said county); and

Bristol County,
— John H.
Pollock.

Making an appropriation for aiding returning soldiers, sailors and marines in finding employment (House, No. 1331);

Appropriation,
— aiding re-
turning sol-
diers, sailors
and marines.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill to authorize the issue of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors for any part of the license year of nineteen hundred and nineteen (House, No. 1333, amended, — on the petition of Andrew J. Peters, accompanied by bill, House, No. 484), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
part-year
licenses.

Reports

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 27) of Thomas A. Niland that the public exhibition of trained animals be restricted or abolished;

Trained
animals, —
public
exhibition.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1066) of Id. Thomas A. Niland relative to the exhibition of trained animals; and

On the petitions (accompanied by bill, House, No. 626) of Alfred Morton Cutler and others relative to the ownership of burial lots and tombs;

Burial lots and
tombs, —
ownership.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

A Report of the committee on Administration and Commissions, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 252) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, that a commission on foreign and domestic commerce be established, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Waterways and Terminals, — was read and accepted, in concurrence.

Commission
on foreign and
domestic
commerce.

A Report of the House committee on Ways and Means, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of so much of the message from the Governor transmitting a budget containing a statement of all proposed expenditures of the Commonwealth for the fiscal year 1919 (House, No. 185) as relates to the completion by the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board of the Wellesley extension of the high level sewer, and

Wellesley, —
metropolitan
sewer; West
Roxbury, Lex-
ington and
East Boston, —
water mains.

to the laying by said board of a pipe line in Poplar Street, West Roxbury, a pipe line for Lexington, and a water main to East Boston, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, — was read; and the Senate concurred in the acceptance of so much thereof as related to the reference to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Joint special committee, — returning soldiers, sailors and marines.

The Senate Order providing for the appointment of a joint special committee to consist of five members of the Senate and ten members of the House of Representatives, to act in conjunction with the Massachusetts Committee to Welcome Returning Soldiers, Sailors and Marines, — came up, with the endorsement that Messrs. Nichols of Fitchburg, Lyman of Easthampton, Leavitt of Boston, Blague of Springfield, Johnson of Worcester, Allen of Lynn, Putnam of Lowell, Green of Boston, Donovan of Boston and Reardon of Boston, had been joined to serve on the part of the House.

Disabled soldiers, — appointment in classified civil service.

The Senate petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 292) of Warren E. Tarbell that disabled soldiers be eligible for appointment in classified civil service positions (referred by the Senate to the committee on Military Affairs), — came up, referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Reconstruction.

Mr. Tarbell moved that the Senate insist on its reference.

Pending action on this motion the further consideration of the petition was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Beck.

State Department of Health, — sewage disposal in Ayer.

The following special reports were referred, in concurrence:

Special report of the State Department of Health relative to a system of sewerage and sewage disposal for such parts of the town of Ayer as are at present in need of sewerage or likely to require sewerage facilities in the immediate future (House, No. 1334); and

Hale's Brook, in Lowell, — improvement.

Special report of the State Department of Health relative to the improvement of Hale's Brook in the city of Lowell (House, No. 1335);

Severally to the committee on Public Health.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

Relative to sittings of the probate court for the county of Middlesex;

To authorize the county of Suffolk to pay an annual pension to John Collins;

To authorize the city of Boston to pay an annuity to the widow of Patrick Carr;

To change the harbor line on the westerly side of Fish Island in New Bedford Harbor; and

Relative to the South Congregational Society and Church of Springfield.

An engrossed Resolve providing for the current expenses of the commissioners appointed to consolidate and arrange the general laws (which originated in the House), — was passed and, with the above-named bills, was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation. Resolve passed, etc.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The bills

To authorize the trustees of Phillips Academy to hold additional real and personal estate (Senate, No. 72, changed); Bills.

To place the matron of the police department of the city of Taunton under the civil service laws (Senate, No. 119);

To provide for the reinstatement of John W. Leahon in the public works department of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 176);

To abolish the reserve police force in the city of Boston (printed as House, No. 341);

Relative to the reinstatement of Daniel J. O'Sullivan in the public works department of the city of Boston (printed as House, No. 454, changed);

To place the chief of police of the city of Beverly under the civil service laws (printed as House, No. 519, changed);

To authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the widow of Ellison B. Cushing (printed as House, No. 571);

Relative to hospitals in the city of Boston (printed as House, No. 573);

To change the name of the Contractors Mutual Liability Insurance Company to Federal Mutual Liability Insurance Company (House, No. 157);

To authorize the city of Lynn to retire and pension Reuben J. Mansir (House, No. 577);

Relative to the signing of tax warrants (House, No. 836); and

Relative to exemption from the payment of poll-taxes of persons in the military or naval service of the United States (House, No. 1307);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The House Bill relative to the tenure of office of the city clerk of Quincy (House, No. 132), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. House bill.

The Senate Report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 452) of John B. Cashman relative to payment for overtime work to employees of the city of Boston, — was accepted. Senate report.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House reports

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 279) of John L. Donovan relative to the transportation of passengers by street railway companies during certain epidemics; and House reports.

House report.

Of the committee on Taxation, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 44) of Charles A. Kelley that war veterans be exempted from the payment of poll-taxes;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Gifford, at twenty-seven minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

FRIDAY, February 7, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill making an appropriation for aiding returning soldiers, sailors and marines in finding employment (House, No. 1331), — ought to pass; Appropriation, — aiding returning soldiers, sailors and marines.

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Tarbell, for the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of Perley R. Eaton and others, a Bill to revive the corporation known as the United Marble Companies (printed as House, No. 198) (Mr. Foley, of the Senate, and Mr. Reardon, of the House, dissenting); and United Marble Companies.

By Mr. Hastings, for the committee on Public Service, on the petition of Harry L. Peabody, a Resolve relative to the retirement of Frank H. Hardison (Senate, No. 163); Frank H. Hardison.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill to authorize the city of Fitchburg to incur additional indebtedness for the extension of its water supply (House, No. 1332, — on the petition of the mayor of said city, accompanied by bill, House, No. 499), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading. Fitchburg, — extension of water system.

A Resolution urging employers to reinstate their former employees recently discharged from the service of the United States (printed as Senate, No. 122), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session. Employers, — reinstatement of soldier employees.

Reports

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5) of William R. McMenimen for the establishment of a two-platoon system in the fire department of the city of Cambridge; Cambridge fire department, — two-platoon system.

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 252) of Roland D. Sawyer relative to the direct primary law, so called; Primary elections, — abolition of party enrollment.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 468) of Harry C. Woodill relative to members of ward and town political committees; and Political committees, — membership.

Elections, —
corrupt
practices.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 582) of Anson B. Edgerly for the repeal or revision of the corrupt practices act, so called;

Corporations,
— payment
of wages.

Of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 17) of M. A. O'Brien, Jr., relative to the semi-monthly payment of wages by corporations; and

Aliens, —
employment.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 18) of Thomas A. Niland that the employment of aliens be prohibited or restricted;

Stationary
engineers, —
licenses.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 781) of John R. Lees relative to granting licenses to operate stationary engines;

Civil Service
Commission,
— places of
strikers.

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 514) of Jonathan Perry and another that the Civil Service Commission be prohibited from certifying names of persons to fill the places of strikers; and

Assessors, —
State appoint-
ment and
compensation.

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 219) of the assessors of the town of Sharon that assessors in towns shall be appointed by the Tax Commissioner and paid by the Commonwealth;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Members of
the General
Court, —
compensation.

A Report of the joint committee on Rules, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 698) of Frank H. Cowin relative to the salaries and compensation for travel of members of the General Court, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Public Service, — was read and accepted, in concurrence.

State depart-
ments and
officials, —
expenditures.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1341) of B. L. Young relative to expenditures by heads of departments and other officials of the Commonwealth; and the petition was returned to the House for its action.

Soldiers,
sailors and
marines, —
preference in
public em-
ployment.

The Senate petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 291) of Peter F. Sullivan that preference in public employment be given to persons who have been honorably discharged from the military, naval or marine service of the United States in the present war (referred by the Senate to the committee on Military Affairs), — came up, referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Reconstruction.

The Senate receded from its reference, on motion of Mr. Sullivan, and concurred in the reference to the committee on Reconstruction.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Probate court,
— entry of
appeals.

The Bill relative to the entry of appeals from the probate court (Senate, No. 301), — was considered; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Reed.

The bills

Authorizing the city of Holyoke to pay a sum of money to the **Bills.**
next of kin of Dennis Sullivan (Senate, No. 306);

Authorizing the city of Holyoke to pay a sum of money to the
widow of John Nugent (Senate, No. 307);

Authorizing the city of Holyoke to pay a sum of money to the
widow of Thomas Monahan (Senate, No. 308);

To authorize the city of Holyoke to pay a sum of money to
the mother of James Walsh (Senate, No. 309);

To increase the limit which may be deposited in savings banks
or institutions for savings (printed as House, No. 564); and

To authorize the issue of licenses for the sale of intoxicating
liquors for any part of the license year of nineteen hundred and
nineteen (House, No. 1333, amended);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third
reading.

The Senate petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 292) of **Disabled**
Warren E. Tarbell that disabled soldiers be eligible for appoint- **soldiers, —**
ment in classified civil service positions (referred by the Senate **appointment**
to the committee on Military Affairs and by the House, in non- **in classified**
concurrence, to the committee on Reconstruction), — was con- **civil service.**
sidered, the question being on the motion of Mr. Tarbell that
the Senate insist on its reference.

There being no objection, Mr. Tarbell withdrew his motion.

The Senate then receded from its reference, on motion of the
same Senator, and concurred in the reference to the committee
on Reconstruction.

The Senate bills

To provide for the reinstatement of John W. Leahon in the **Senate bills.**
public works department of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 176);

To abolish the reserve police force in the city of Boston
(printed as House, No. 341);

Relative to the reinstatement of Daniel J. O'Sullivan in the
public works department of the city of Boston (printed as House,
No. 454, changed);

To place the chief of police of the city of Beverly under the
civil service laws (printed as House, No. 519, changed);

To authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the
widow of Ellison B. Cushing (printed as House, No. 571); and

To require the registration of hospitals in the city of Boston
(printed as House, No. 573) (its title having been changed by the
committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill to change the name of the Contractors Mutual **House bill.**
Liability Insurance Company to Federal Mutual Liability In-
surance Company (House, No. 157), — was read a third time.
Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading,
reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out
section 2.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with
the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

House bill.

The House Bill to authorize the city of Lynn to retire and pension Reuben J. Mansir (House, No. 577), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

House reports.**The House reports**

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 27) of Thomas A. Niland that the public exhibition of trained animals be restricted or abolished;

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 626) of Alfred Morton Cutler and others relative to the ownership of burial lots and tombs; and

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1066) of Thomas A. Niland relative to the exhibition of trained animals;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Gifford, at eighteen minutes before twelve o'clock A.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, February 10, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Loring, for the committee on Reconstruction, on the petition of Edwin T. McKnight (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 283), a Bill to suspend the civil service laws and regulations in favor of returning soldiers and sailors (Senate, No. 310);

Returning soldiers and sailors, — civil service.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Dahlborg, the Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to pay a pension to John McCaffrey (printed as House, No. 458), — was taken from the table; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Brockton, — John McCaffrey.

On motion of the same Senator, the Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to pension James Keough (printed as House, No. 735), — was taken from the table; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Brockton, — James Keough.

On motion of Mr. Walsh, the Senate Bill relative to the entry of appeals from the probate court (Senate, No. 301), — was taken from the table and considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Probate court, — entry of appeals.

On further motion of the same Senator, the bill was amended by substituting a new draft entitled: "An Act relative to the time for taking appeals in probate proceedings" (Senate, No. 311).

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 311), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Resolve to provide for an investigation by the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board as to the practicability of utilizing the water-power of the metropolitan water supply (House, No. 1091, on the petition of Bernard Early), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Metropolitan water system, — utilisation of power.

Bills

To prohibit the taking of alewives in the Weweantit River for a period of five years (House, No. 587, on the petition of John Holland);

Weweantit River, — taking of alewives.

Savings banks,
— investments.

Relative to investments of savings banks and institutions for savings (House, No. 1337, — on the recommendations of the Bank Commissioner, House, No. 331, in part, see House, No. 332);

Episcopal
City Mission,
— property.

Relative to the property and purposes of the Episcopal City Mission (House, No. 1338, — on the petition of William E. Lawrence and others, accompanied by bill, House, No. 785);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Reports

Credit-
unions.

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the recommendations of the Bank Commissioner (House, No. 331) as related to credit-unions (accompanied by bill, House, No. 336);

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw:

Boston, —
Thomas
Francis Fay.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 41) of George E. Curran that the city of Boston be authorized to pension Thomas Francis Fay;

Boston, —
Harriet
L. Blanchard.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 105) of Harriet L. Blanchard that the city of Boston be authorized to pay to her a sum of money in compensation for certain injuries;

Boston, —
disposal of
market stalls.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 150) of Thomas A. Niland relative to the disposal of the stalls in Faneuil Hall and Quincy markets in the city of Boston; and

Somerville, —
reinstatement
of Patrick
H. Ryan.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 463) of Patrick H. Ryan for reinstatement in the reserve force of the police department of the city of Somerville;

School-
committees and
municipal de-
partments, —
public records.

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 228) of Albert Birch that the records of school-committees and of municipal boards or commissions be made public records and that the inspection thereof be regulated;

Metropolitan
employees, —
State Retirement Association.

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 168) of Hugh F. Freeman that certain employees of the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board and of the Metropolitan Park Commission be excused from making further contributions to the State Retirement Association; and

County
employees, —
civil service.

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 518) of Courtenay Crocker that certain positions in counties be included within the classified civil service;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

State Department of Health,
— purification
of sources of
water supply
and inland
waters.

The annual report of the State Department of Health on the purification and prevention of pollution of the sources of water supply and the inland waters of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1299), — was referred, in concurrence, as follows:

So much as relates to sewerage and sewage disposal, to the committee on Public Health; and

So much as relates to water supply, to the committee on Water Supply.

The following House orders were adopted, in concurrence: —

Ordered, That the Insurance Commissioner ascertain the rates charged to men in the military or naval service of the United States by insurance companies doing business in this Commonwealth, and the deductions exacted by said companies from the amounts due and payable to beneficiaries on insurance policies issued to soldiers and sailors. The commissioner shall also investigate the practice of such insurance companies in respect to the attaching of "war clauses" to all policies held by or issued to soldiers and sailors, and the establishment of the "scaling basis", so called, in reference to the payment of amounts due on any such policy of insurance. He shall report his findings to the General Court, with such recommendations for legislation, if any, as he may deem expedient.

Insurance Commissioner, — investigation of insurance rates and payments on lives of soldiers and sailors.

Ordered, That the Public Service Commission is hereby directed to make a valuation of all the property held by the Boston Elevated Railway Company, excluding any franchise held by it, and to report the same to the General Court not later than May 15, 1919.

Public Service Commission, — valuation of property of the Boston Elevated Railway Company.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

To authorize the city of Brockton to pension John Flynn;

Authorizing the city of Lynn to retire and pension Elizabeth E. Rule; and

To authorize the city of Cambridge to retire and pension Minor F. Hamlin.

Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petitions (accompanied by bill, House, No. 253) of George H. Garfield and others relative to the taking of scallops in the town of Dennis, — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

Dennis, — taking of scallops.

On motion of Mr. Gifford, the report was amended by substituting a "Bill relative to the taking of scallops in the town of Dennis" (Senate, No. 312); and the bill was read and, under the rule, was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

The bills

To revive the corporation known as the United Marble Companies (printed as House, No. 198); and

Making an appropriation for aiding returning soldiers, sailors and marines in finding employment (House, No. 1331);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The House Bill to authorize the city of Fitchburg to incur additional indebtedness for the extension of its water supply

Fitchburg, — water supply.

(House, No. 1332), — was read a second time and was amended in section 1, on motion of Mr. Hardy of Worcester, by striking out, in lines 16 and 17, the words "a rate not exceeding four and one-half per cent per annum", and inserting in place thereof the words "such rate as may be determined by the city treasurer with the approval of the mayor". The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

Frank H.
Hardison.

The Senate Resolve relative to the retirement of Frank H. Hardison (Senate, No. 163), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Cavanagh, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session.

On motion of Mr. Beck, it was voted that when the vote should be taken on ordering the resolve to a third reading it be taken by a call of the yeas and nays.

Employers, —
reinstatement
of soldier
employees.

The House Resolution urging employers to reinstate their former employees recently discharged from the service of the United States (printed as Senate, No. 122), — was adopted, in concurrence.

The resolution was as follows: —

Resolved, That the General Court hereby expresses its earnest hope that employers in the industries and mercantile establishments of the Commonwealth will reinstate in their employ those employees who relinquished their positions in order to enter the military or naval service of their country in her hour of need, so far as such reinstatement is possible, and that in all matters of employment a preference be given to applicants who have been honorably discharged from such service.

Senate bills.

The Senate bills

Authorizing the city of Holyoke to pay a sum of money to the next of kin of Dennis Sullivan (Senate, No. 306);

Authorizing the city of Holyoke to pay a sum of money to the widow of Thomas Monahan (Senate, No. 308);

Authorizing the city of Holyoke to pay a sum of money to the mother of James Walsh (Senate, No. 309) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

To increase the maximum amount which may be deposited in savings banks (printed as House, No. 564) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Holyoke, —
widow of
John Nugent.

The Senate Bill authorizing the city of Holyoke to pay a sum of money to the widow of John Nugent (Senate, No. 307), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 1, by striking out, in line 2, the name "Thomas Monahan" and inserting in place thereof the name "John Nugent."

This amendment was adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House reports

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5) of William R. McMenimen for the establishment of a two-platoon system in the fire department of the city of Cambridge; House reports.

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 252) of Roland D. Sawyer relative to the direct primary law, so called;

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 468) of Harry C. Woodill relative to members of ward and town political committees;

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 582) of Anson B. Edgerly, Jr., for the repeal or revision of the corrupt practices act, so called;

Of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 17) of M. A. O'Brien, Jr., relative to the semi-monthly payment of wages by corporations;

Of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 18) of Thomas A. Niland that the employment of aliens be prohibited or restricted;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 781) of John R. Lees relative to granting licenses to operate stationary engines;

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 514) of Jonathan Perry and another that the Civil Service Commission be prohibited from certifying names of persons to fill the places of strikers; and

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 219) of the assessors of the town of Sharon that assessors in towns shall be appointed by the Tax Commissioner and paid by the Commonwealth;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Dahlborg, at thirteen minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, February 11, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*Bristol County,
— John H.
Pollock.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill to authorize the county of Bristol to retire and pension John H. Pollock (House, No. 152), — ought not to pass;

Read, and the bill placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on rejecting it.

Jurors, —
compensation
and mileage.

By Mr. Reed, for the committee on Legal Affairs, on the petitions of Nathan A. Tufts (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 105); of Arthur L. Nason and Fred M. Knight (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 106); of William J. Foley (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 194); of Thomas A. Niland (accompanied by bill, House, No. 25); and of Thomas W. Baxter and others (accompanied by bill, House, No. 116), a Bill to establish the compensation and mileage of jurors (Senate, No. 317);

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Holyoke, —
pensions for
foremen.

By Mr. Kearney, for the committee on Social Welfare, on the petition of John Cronin, a Bill to provide for the pensioning of foremen employed by the city of Holyoke (Senate, No. 210);

Boston, —
retirement of
laborers.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petitions of M. F. O'Brien (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 36); of Edward J. Cox (accompanied by bill, House, No. 701); and of Thomas F. Donovan (accompanied by bill, House, No. 702), a Bill relative to the retirement of laborers employed by the city of Boston (printed as House, No. 702, — changed by the committee in section 1, by striking out, in lines 22, 23 and 24, the words "but in no case shall such pension exceed in amount the sum of four hundred and thirty-two dollars per year".);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Motor-vehicles,
— licensing
and regulating.

By Mr. Knox, for the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 153) of David R. Radovsky relative to licensing and regulating the operation of motor-vehicles;

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Petitions.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows: —

Quincy, —
two-platoon
system in fire
department.

By Mr. McIntosh, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 314) of Elmer C. Blanding that the two-platoon system be established in the fire department of the city of Quincy;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. McLane, to the committee on Cities;

By Mr. Colburn, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 315) of Arthur A. Hall relative to the holding of caucuses or primaries in certain towns; Towns, —
caucuses and
primaries.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. Beck, to the committee on Election Laws; and

By Mr. Prescott, a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 316) of Francis Prescott that provision be made for a general holiday on which the demobilization and home-coming of Massachusetts soldiers, sailors and marines may be appropriately celebrated; Soldiers,
sailors and
marines, —
general holi-
day to cele-
brate home-
coming.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. Beck, to the committee on Military Affairs;

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Bill Ordered Printed.

On motion of Mr. Loring, —

Voted, That two hundred copies of a "Bill to provide for the use and improvement of the natural resources of the Commonwealth, the production of food, and farming lands for persons who have served in the armed forces of the United States, and others", — be printed for the use of the committee on Reconstruction. Improvement
of natural
resources;
production of
food; farming
lands for
soldiers and
sailors.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill relative to pensioning call members of the fire department of the town of Milton (House, No. 1127, changed, — on the petition of Josiah Babcock, Jr.), — was read. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Weston, and the bill was read a second time and a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator. Milton, —
pensions for
call mem-
bers of fire
department.

A Bill to authorize the town of Milton to pay an annuity to the widow of Thomas F. McDermott (House, No. 1329, on the petition of Maurice A. Duffy and others), — was read. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Weston, and the bill was read a second time and a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator. Milton, —
widow of
Thomas F.
McDermott.

A Bill to authorize the town of Milton to pay an annuity to the widow of Patrick Moran (House, No. 1330, on the petition of Maurice A. Duffy and others), — was read. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Weston, and the bill was read a second time and a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator. Milton, —
widow of
Patrick
Moran.

Bills

To authorize the city of Cambridge to retire and pension Nellie M. Carey (printed as Senate, No. 219, on the petition of Edward A. Counihan, Jr., and another); Cambridge, —
Nellie M.
Carey.

Boston, —
Thomas J.
Downey.

To authorize the city of Boston to pay a pension to Thomas J. Downey (House, No. 54, on the petition of Timothy J. Driscoll);

Woburn, —
Horn Pond
Branch Rail-
road.

To permit the city of Woburn to acquire the capital stock of the Horn Pond Branch Railroad Company (House, No. 149, on the petition of the mayor of said city);

Quincy, —
health com-
missioner.

To abolish the board of health and inspector of milk of the city of Quincy and to create the office of health commissioner of said city (House, No. 462, on the petition of the mayor of said city);

Quincy, —
filling the
office of mayor.

Relative to filling the office of mayor of the city of Quincy during the temporary absence or disability of the mayor and to succession to said office in case of vacancy (House, No. 1339, — on the petition of the mayor of said city, accompanied by bill, House, No. 461); and

Trustees
of Andover
Theological
Seminary.

Relative to the Trustees of Andover Theological Seminary (House, No. 1340, — on the petition of Burton Payne Gray, accompanied by bill, House, No. 250);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Reports

Operators
of steam
boilers, —
examination.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 636) of Roland D. Sawyer relative to examinations of applicants for licenses to run steam boilers;

Boards of
health, —
authority.

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 166) of Louis R. Lipp relative to the authority of boards of health in cases of diseases dangerous to the public health;

Foods and
drugs, —
manufacture
and sale.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 277) of Stoughton Bell for an amendment of the law regulating the manufacture and sale of foods and drugs; and

Factories and
workshops, —
receptacles for
expectoration.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 800) of Edwin Mulready and others relative to the approval of receptacles for expectoration in factories and workshops;

Osteopathic
physicians, —
registration.

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioners), on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 271) of the Massachusetts Osteopathic Society, by Francis A. Cave, chairman, and others to define the status of osteopathic physicians when applying for registration;

Disabled
soldiers and
sailors, —
State home
and school.

Of the committee on Reconstruction, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 89) of Coleman E. Kelly for the establishment of a State home and school for crippled and disabled soldiers and sailors (Mr. Gillen, of the House, dissenting); and

Lincoln's
birthday in
1919, — com-
memoration.

Of the joint committee on Rules, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by order, House, No. 100) of M. A. O'Brien, Jr., that provision be made for the commemoration of the coming anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate Bill relative to the term of office of the city clerk of Boston (Senate, No. 299), had been referred, by the House, to the next General Court;

Boston, —
tenure of
city clerk.

Also that the Senate petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 296) of Henry Tadgell and others that the compensation and allowance for travel for jurors be increased, had been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the House having refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of said rule.

Jurors, —
compensation
and travel.

The annual report of the Controller of County Accounts submitting estimates of county receipts and expenditures for the year ending December 31, 1919 (House, No. 1347), — was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Counties.

Controller of
County
Accounts, —
estimates of
county receipts
and ex-
penditures.

House petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1281) of George K. Farrell relative to the assessment of damages for the taking of land for the construction of the Dorchester tunnel in the city of Boston;

Boston, —
damages for
land for the
Dorchester
tunnel.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1348) of George J. Bates relative to permits for the use of armories for entertainments for or on behalf of returning soldiers and sailors;

Armories, —
entertainments
for returning
soldiers and
sailors.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Military Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1336) of the mayors of the cities of Salem and Beverly and others that said cities be authorized to take an additional supply of water from the Ipswich River and its tributaries;

Salem and
Beverly, —
additional
water from
the Ipswich
River.

Under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

To authorize the city of Brockton to pension N. Dennis Tribou; and

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

Relative to the tenure of office of the city clerk of Quincy.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Bill relative to the time for taking appeals in probate proceedings (Senate, No. 311), — was ordered to a third reading.

Probate court,
— entry of
appeals.

The Senate Resolve relative to the retirement of Frank H. Hardison (Senate, No. 163), — was considered; and, pending the

Frank H.
Hardison.

question on ordering the resolve to a third reading, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Hastings.

The bills

Bills.

To suspend the civil service laws and regulations in favor of returning soldiers and sailors (Senate, No. 310);

Relative to the taking of scallops in the town of Dennis (Senate, No. 312);

To prohibit the taking of alewives in the Weweantit River for a period of five years (House, No. 587);

Relative to investments of savings banks and institutions for savings (House, No. 1337); and

Relative to the property and purposes of the Episcopal City Mission (House, No. 1338);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Phillips Academy.

The Senate Bill to authorize the trustees of Phillips Academy to hold additional real and personal estate (Senate, No. 72, changed), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out section 2.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Taunton, — police matron.

The Senate Bill to place the matron of the police department of the city of Taunton under the civil service laws (Senate, No. 119), — was read a third time and was amended, on motion of Mr. Hastings, by adding the following new section: "SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the municipal council of said city, with the approval of the mayor, on or before the thirty-first day of December in the current year."

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

United Marble Companies.

The Senate Bill to revive the corporation known as the United Marble Companies (printed as House, No. 198), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out section 2.

Pending this amendment and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Friday, on motion of Mr. Winchester.

The Senate bills

Senate bills.

To authorize the city of Brockton to pay a pension to John McCaffrey (printed as House, No. 458); and

To authorize the city of Brockton to pension James Keough (printed as House, No. 735);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill relative to the signing of tax warrants (House, No. 836), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out, in lines 7 and 34, respectively, the word "chapter", and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the word "section". Tax warrants.

These amendments were adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill making an appropriation for aiding returned soldiers, sailors and marines in finding employment (House, No. 1331) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time. Appropriations, — aiding returning soldiers, sailors and marines.

Mr. Beck moved that the bill be amended in section 1, by striking out, at the end thereof, the word "Council", and inserting in place thereof the words "joint special committee of the General Court appointed to act in conjunction with the Massachusetts Committee to Welcome Returning Soldiers, Sailors and Marines."

Pending this amendment and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Gifford.

The House Bill to authorize the city of Fitchburg to incur additional indebtedness for the extension of its water supply (House, No. 1332), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment previously adopted by the Senate, which was sent down for concurrence. Fitchburg, — water supply.

The House reports

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the recommendations of the Bank Commissioner (House, No. 331) as relates to credit-unions (accompanied by bill, House, No. 336); House reports.

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 41) of George E. Curran that the city of Boston be authorized to pension Thomas Francis Fay;

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 105) of Harriet L. Blanchard that the city of Boston be authorized to pay to her a sum of money in compensation for certain injuries;

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 150) of Thomas A. Niland relative to the disposal of the stalls in Faneuil Hall and Quincy markets in the city of Boston;

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 463) of Patrick H. Ryan for reinstatement in the reserve force of the police department of the city of Somerville;

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 228) of Albert Birch that the records of school-committees and of municipal boards or commissions be made public records and that the inspection thereof be regulated;

House reports.

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 168) of Hugh F. Freeman that certain employees of the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board and of the Metropolitan Park Commission be excused from making further contributions to the State Retirement Association; and

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 518) of Courtenay Crocker that certain positions in counties be included within the classified civil service;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Reed, at two minutes past three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, February 12, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Churchill, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill relative to the instruction of the adult blind at their homes (House, No. 1142), ought to pass; and

Adult blind, — instruction at home.

By Mr. McLane, for the same committee, that the House Bill to authorize the county of Suffolk to pension Timothy R. Sullivan (printed as Senate, No. 97), ought to pass, with an amendment, adding at the end of section 2 the words "provided such action is taken before the thirty-first day of December in the current year.";

Suffolk County, — Timothy R. Sullivan.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Halliwell, for the committee on Federal Relations, that the Resolutions in favor of Irish Independence (Senate, No. 98), — ought to be adopted;

Irish Independence.

Read, and the resolutions placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on their adoption.

Communication from the Attorney-General.

A communication from the Attorney-General relative to the constitutionality of the act to provide for the public operation of the Boston Elevated Railway Company, — was laid before the Senate; and it was placed on file.

Opinion of Attorney-General, — constitutionality of Boston Elevated Railway Company Act.

On motion of Mr. Beck, the communication was ordered to be printed as a Senate document (Senate, No. 318).

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Nichols, the Report of the joint special recess committee on Taxation (Senate, No. 313), — was taken from the table; and the report was referred to the committee on Taxation.

Joint special recess committee on Taxation, — report.

Sent down for concurrence.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Perrin moved that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at a previous session, it had adopted, in concurrence, the following House order: —

Ordered, That the Public Service Commission is hereby directed to make a valuation of all the property held by the Boston Elevated Railway Company, excluding any franchise held by

Public Service Commission, — valuation of property of the Boston Ele-

vated Railway
Company.

it, and to report the same to the General Court not later than May 15, 1919.

There being no objection, the motion to reconsider was entertained; and it prevailed.

Pending the recurring question on adopting the order, in concurrence, it was referred to the committee on Street Railways, on further motion of the same Senator.

Sent down for concurrence.

Petition.

General Court,
— doorkeepers,
messengers
and pages.

Mr. McLane presented a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 319) of Walter E. McLane for an increase in the number of doorkeepers, assistant doorkeepers, messengers and pages of the General Court; and the petition was referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. Beck, to the joint committee on Rules.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Aero Sales
Company, —
Incorporated.

To revive the corporation known as the Aero Sales Company, Incorporated (House, No. 633, on the petition of Philip A. Hendrick);

Saint James
Church in
Roxbury.

Relative to membership in The Proprietors of Saint James Church in Roxbury (House, No. 1068, on the petition of W. Dudley Cotton); and

Melrose, —
Charles E.
Merrill.

To authorize the city of Melrose to pay a pension to Charles E. Merrill (House, No. 1279, changed, — on the petition of Charles H. Adams, mayor);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Reports

Civil service, —
certifications.

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 35) of Thomas A. Niland relative to the certification and selection of employees for the civil service; and

Weighers of
coal, — local
control.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 86) of Timothy J. Driscoll that weighers of coal be appointed and paid by the cities and towns in which they act;

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court:

Classified civil
service, — re-
movals, etc.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 118) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to the removal, suspension or reduction of persons in the classified service; and

Local moth
superin-
tendents, —
civil services.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 201) of Arthur W. Colburn that the provisions of the civil service laws be extended to local moth superintendents;

Board of Free
Public Library
Commissioners.

Of the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the recommendations of the Board of Free Public Library Commissioners (House, No. 348) (accompanied by bill, House, No. 349); and

Of the committee on Social Welfare, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 135) of Edward A. Perrin and others for the abolition of all civil pensions now paid members of the judiciary;

Judicial officers,
— civil
pensions.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

A House petition of William Gardner and others in aid of the petition of William A. Knowlton and others for an amendment of the Constitution to restore annual State elections, — was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Constitutional
amendment, —
annual State
elections.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

To change the name of the Massachusetts Mutual Automobile Insurance Company to Automobile Mutual Fire Insurance Company;

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

Relative to the Westfield Athenæum;

To authorize the city of Lynn to retire and pension Reuben J. Mansir;

To authorize the town of Milton to pay an annuity to the widow of Patrick Moran;

Relative to pensioning call members of the fire department of the town of Milton; and

To authorize the town of Milton to pay an annuity to the widow of Thomas F. McDermott.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Bill making an appropriation for aiding returned soldiers, sailors and marines in finding employment (House, No. 1331), — was considered; and, pending the amendment previously moved by Mr. Beck, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Beck.

Appropriations, —
aiding return-
ing soldiers,
sailors and
marines.

The bills

To provide for the pensioning of foremen employed by the city of Holyoke (Senate, No. 210);

Relative to the retirement of laborers employed by the city of Boston (printed as House, No. 702, changed);

To authorize the city of Cambridge to retire and pension Nellie M. Carey (printed as Senate, No. 219);

To permit the city of Woburn to acquire the capital stock of the Horn Pond Branch Railroad Company (House, No. 149);

To abolish the board of health and inspector of milk of the city of Quincy and to create the office of health commissioner of said city (House, No. 462);

Bills.

Bills.

Relative to filling the office of mayor of the city of Quincy during the temporary absence or disability of the mayor and to succession to said office in case of vacancy (House, No. 1339); and

Relative to the Trustees of Andover Theological Seminary (House, No. 1340);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Boston, —
Thomas J.
Downey.

The House Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay a pension to Thomas J. Downey (House, No. 54), — was read a second time and was amended in section 1, on motion of Mr. Jackson, by striking out, in line 2, the words "not exceeding six dollars a week"; and by adding at the end of said section the words "a sum not to exceed one-half the annual pay he received at the time of his being incapacitated". The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

Bristol County,
— John H.
Pollock.

The House Bill to authorize the county of Bristol to retire and pension John H. Pollock (House, No. 152), — was rejected, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means.

Senate bills.**The Senate bills**

To suspend the civil service laws and regulations in favor of returning soldiers and sailors (Senate, No. 310); and

Relative to the taking of scallops in the town of Dennis (Senate, No. 312);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

House bills.**The House bills**

To prohibit the taking of alewives in the Weweantit River for a period of five years (House, No. 587); and

Relative to exemption from the payment of poll-taxes of persons in the military or naval service of the United States (House, No. 1307);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Savings banks,
— investments.

The House Bill relative to investments of savings banks and institutions for savings (House, No. 1337), — was read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Jackson, the bill was amended by prefixing before the enacting clause the following preamble:

"Whereas, the immediate passage and operation of the following act relative to the investments of savings banks are required by the public interest, the deferred operation of which under the provisions of the Constitution would result in substantial public inconvenience, therefore the same is declared to be an emergency law, necessary to the preservation of the public convenience.";

Also in section 2, by striking out, in lines 1 and 2, the words "ninety days after", and inserting in place thereof the word "upon".

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Cavanagh.

The Senate Report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 153) of David R. Radovsky relative to licensing and regulating the operation of motor-vehicles, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was recommitted to the said committee, on motion of Mr. Knox.

Motor-vehicles,
— licensing
and regulating.

The House reports

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 636) of Roland D. Sawyer relative to examinations of applicants for licenses to run steam boilers;

House reports.

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioners), on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 271) of the Massachusetts Osteopathic Society, by Francis A. Cave, chairman, and others to define the status of osteopathic physicians when applying for registration;

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 166) of Louis R. Lipp relative to the authority of boards of health in cases of diseases dangerous to the public health;

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 277) of Stoughton Bell for an amendment of the law regulating the manufacture and sale of foods and drugs;

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 800) of Edwin Mulready and others relative to the approval of receptacles for expectoration in factories and workshops;

Of the committee on Reconstruction, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 89) of Coleman E. Kelly for the establishment of a State home and school for crippled and disabled soldiers and sailors; and

Of the joint committee on Rules, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by order, House, No. 100) of M. A. O'Brien, Jr., that provision be made for the commemoration of the coming anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Foley, at twenty-five minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, February 13, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

In the absence of the Clerk, the duties of the office were performed by the Assistant Clerk.

Reports of Committees.

Middlesex
County, —
clerical assist-
ance for register
of probate and
insolvency.

Id.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill relative to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Middlesex (Senate, No. 69), ought to pass; and

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill relative to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Middlesex (Senate, No. 70), ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Joint rules.

By Mr. Beck, for the joint special committee appointed to prepare rules for the government of the two branches, in part, recommending that, in addition to Joint Rule No. 1, already adopted, the other joint rules of last year be adopted as the joint rules for the present year, with the following changes (see Senate, No. 320):—

In Rule No. 16, striking out the words "bills and resolves in their last stage" and inserting in place thereof the words "as to the adopting of emergency preambles and the final passage of bills and resolves".

In Rule No. 17, striking out the words "same have passed to be enacted" and inserting in place thereof the words "bills have been passed to be enacted or the resolves have been passed"; and adding at the end thereof the words "If an engrossed bill or resolve contains an emergency preamble, it shall be delivered, in like manner, to the latter committee after the preamble has been adopted by the House of Representatives and before the bill or resolve is put upon its final passage in that branch; and, if the Senate concurs in adopting the preamble, the bill or resolve shall be returned to the House to be there first put upon its final passage, in accordance with the requirements of joint rule No. 22".

Striking out Rules No. 21 and No. 22.

Renumbering Rule No. 23 as No. 21.

Inserting the following new rules:—

Emergency Measures.

Rule No. 22. The vote on the preamble of an emergency law, which under the requirements of Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution must be taken by call of the yeas and nays, shall be had after the proposed law has been engrossed; and neither branch shall vote on the enactment of a bill, or on the passage of a resolve containing an emergency preamble until it has been determined whether the preamble shall remain or be eliminated. If the two branches concur in adopting the preamble, the bill or resolve shall first be put upon its final passage in the House of Representatives. If either branch fails to adopt the preamble, notice of its action shall be sent to the other branch; and the bill or resolve, duly endorsed, shall be returned to the Secretary of the Commonwealth for re-engrossment without the said preamble and without any provision that the bill or the resolve shall take effect earlier than ninety days after it has become law. Procedure shall be otherwise in accordance with the joint rules and the rules of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

Legislative Amendments of the Constitution.

Rule No. 23. A joint committee to which is referred any proposal for a specific legislative amendment of the Constitution shall, when recommending final action, make in each branch a separate report of its recommendation, and shall then file the said proposal, together with any official papers in its possession that relate thereto, with the Clerk of the Senate. If the committee recommends adverse action on a petition for an amendment of the Constitution, the form of the report shall be that the amendment ought not to pass. In each branch the report shall be read and forthwith placed on file; and no further legislative action shall be taken on the measure unless consideration in joint session is called for by vote of either branch, in accordance with the provisions of Section 2 of Part IV of Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution. If either branch calls for such consideration, notice of its action shall be sent to the other branch; and it shall then be the duty of the Senate and the House of Representatives to arrange for the holding of the joint session not later than the second Wednesday in June. Subject to the requirements of the Constitution, joint sessions or continuances of joint sessions of the two branches to consider proposals for specific amendments of the Constitution, and all rules or provisions concerning procedure therein, shall be determined only by concurrent votes of the two branches. The rules relative to joint conventions shall apply to the joint sessions of the two Houses; and

By Mr. Knox, for the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave Opaque glass. to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 269) of Michael H. Jordan relative to the use of opaque glass in workshops and factories (Mr. Foley, of the Senate, and

Messrs. Odlin, Bunting, Hickey and Reardon, of the House, dissenting);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

State depart-
ments, — ex-
penditures.

A Bill relative to expenditures by heads of departments and other officials of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1360, — on the petition of B. L. Young, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1341), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Canton, —
refunding of
indebtedness.

A Bill to authorize the town of Canton to refund certain indebtedness (House, No. 1287, on the petition of Joseph A. Murphy), — was read. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Halliwell, and the bill was read a second time and a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Reports

Boxing
exhibitions.

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 630) of Edward Keavin relative to boxing exhibitions in certain cities;

Tenants, —
sanitary condi-
tion of
buildings.

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 504) of The Dorchester Board of Trade relative to the responsibility of tenants, occupants and others for the sanitary condition of buildings and premises; and

Municipal
laborers, —
pensions.

Of the committee on Social Welfare, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 91) of John Mitchell relative to the pensioning of laborers in the employ of cities and towns;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Legislative
petitions, —
advertising at
public expense.

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to the House petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1294) of Thomas A. Niland relative to the publication at public expense of certain petitions to the General Court; and, accordingly, under the said rule, the petition was referred to the next General Court.

Boston, —
pension for
Matthew H.
McEttrick.

The following House petitions were referred, in concurrence: —
Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1342) of Daniel J. Gillen and another that the city of Boston be authorized to pension Matthew H. McEttrick;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Cities.

Land held in
tenancy, —
partition.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1343) of William M. Mason relative to the partition of interests in land held in joint tenancy or tenancy in common;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1319) of John H. Sullivan relative to the purchase of coal by the Commonwealth for sale to its inhabitants; and

Coal. —
State purchase and sale.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1344) of Leo A. Rhodenizer and another that the corporation known as the Manchester Amusement Company be revived;

Manchester Amusement Company.

Severally, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, in each instance, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1349) of Daniel J. Gillen relative to the rate of dividends on common stock to be included by the Board of Trustees of the Boston Elevated Railway Company in estimating the cost of service as a basis for fixing rates of fare;

Boston Elevated Railway Company, — cost of service.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1350) of Fred P. Greenwood for the establishment of a six-cent fare on street railways for transportation to and from points within five miles of the State House;

Boston Elevated Railway Company, — six-cent fares.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1351) of Fred P. Greenwood that the public operation of the Boston Elevated Railway Company be discontinued;

Boston Elevated Railway Company, — discontinuance of public operation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1352) of Frank B. Phinney for the establishment of a uniform and single rate of fare for persons travelling over street railway lines in the city of Boston;

Boston, — uniform street railway fare.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1353) of the Citizens Transportation Committee of Hyde Park for the creation of a metropolitan transportation district to hold and operate street railway lines in eastern Massachusetts; and

Metropolitan transportation district.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1358) of William J. McDonald and others for the incorporation of the Boston Rapid Transit Company;

Boston Rapid Transit Company.

Severally, under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, in each instance, to the committees on Street Railways and Metropolitan Affairs, sitting jointly, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1345) of Peter I. Adams and others for the periodical publication of itemized reports by assessors in towns;

Towns, — reports of assessors.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Towns.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1346) of Fred J. Burrell for an investigation and a report relative to measures for developing the Mystic River and its tributaries;

Mystic River and tributaries, — development.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Waterways and Terminals.

Bill Enacted.

An engrossed Bill to authorize the town of Canton to refund certain indebtedness (which originated in the House), — was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Bill enacted and laid before the Governor.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Appropriations, —
aiding returned
soldiers, sailors
and marines.

The House Bill making an appropriation for aiding returned soldiers, sailors and marines in finding employment (House, No. 1331), — was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The question on adopting the pending amendment in section 1, previously moved by Mr. Beck, — striking out, at the end thereof, the word "Council", and inserting in place thereof the words "joint special committee of the General Court appointed to act in conjunction with the Massachusetts Committee to Welcome Returning Soldiers, Sailors and Marines", — was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Cavanagh, James F.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Curran, George E.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John

Messrs. Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J. — 14.

NAYS.

Messrs. Callahan, Edward
Churchill, George B.
Cronin, John
Curtin, John A.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 17.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.

Messrs. Hardy, Leonard F.
McIntosh, David S.
Perrin, Harold L.
Smith, Charles S. — 8.

So the amendment was rejected.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Savings banks,
— investments.

The House Bill relative to investments of savings banks and institutions for savings (House, No. 1337), — was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments previously adopted by the Senate, which were sent down for concurrence.

Suffolk
County, —
Timothy R.
Sullivan.

The House Bill to authorize the county of Suffolk to pension Timothy R. Sullivan (printed as Senate, No. 97), — was read a second time and was amended, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, by adding at the end of section 2 the words "provided such action is taken before the thirty-first day of December in the current year." The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

The bills

To revive the corporation known as the Aero Sales Company, **Bills.**
Incorporated (House, No. 633);

Relative to membership in The Proprietors of Saint James Church in Roxbury (House, No. 1068);

Relative to the instruction of the adult blind at their homes (House, No. 1142); and

To authorize the city of Melrose to pay a pension to Charles E. Merrill (House, No. 1279, changed);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Resolutions in favor of Irish independence (Senate, **Irish independence.** No. 98), — were considered; and, pending the question on adopting the resolutions, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Hobbs.

The Senate bills

To provide for the pensioning of foremen employed by the city of Holyoke (Senate, No. 210); **Senate bills.**

Relative to the time for taking appeals in probate proceedings (Senate, No. 311); and

Relative to the retirement allowance of laborers employed by the city of Boston (printed as House, No. 702, changed) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House bills

To authorize the city of Cambridge to retire and pension Nellie M. Carey (printed as Senate, No. 219); **House bills.**

To permit the city of Woburn to acquire the capital stock of the Horn Pond Branch Railroad Company (House, No. 149);

To abolish the board of health and inspector of milk of the city of Quincy and to create the office of health commissioner of said city (House, No. 462);

To authorize the issue of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors for any part of the license year beginning in nineteen hundred and nineteen (House, No. 1333, amended) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

Relative to filling the office of mayor of the city of Quincy during the temporary absence or disability of the mayor and to succession to said office in case of vacancy (House, No. 1339);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay a pension to Thomas J. Downey (House, No. 54), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments previously adopted by the Senate, which were sent down for concurrence. **Boston, — Thomas J. Downey.**

The House Bill relative to the Trustees of Andover Theological Seminary (House, No. 1340), — was read a third time. Mr. **Andover Theological Seminary.**

Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out section 2.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Civil service, —
certifications.

The House Report of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 118) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to the removal, suspension or reduction of persons in classified service, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Nichols.

The House reports

House reports.

Of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 201) of Arthur W. Colburn that the provisions of the civil service laws be extended to local moth superintendents;

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 35) of Thomas A. Niland relative to the certification and selection of employees for the civil service;

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 86) of Timothy J. Driscoll that weighers of coal be appointed and paid by the cities and towns in which they act;

Of the committee on Public Service, no legislation necessary, on the recommendations of the Board of Free Public Library Commissioners (House, No. 348) (accompanied by bill, House, No. 349); and

Of the committee on Social Welfare, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 135) of Edward A. Perrin and others for the abolition of all civil pensions now paid members of the judiciary;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Mahoney, at ten minutes past three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

FRIDAY, February 14, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Halliwell, for the committee on Federal Relations, that the Resolution in favor of Armenian independence (Senate, No. 43), — ought to be adopted; Armenian independence.

Read, and the resolution placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on adopting it.

By Mr. Cavanagh, for the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 224) of Herbert C. Parsons relative to granting permits to be at liberty to prisoners in jails and houses of correction; Prisoners, — permits to be at liberty.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Cronin moved that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the House Bill making an appropriation for aiding returned soldiers, sailors and marines in finding employment (House, No. 1331); and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit:— Appropriations, — aiding returned soldiers, sailors and marines.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Cavanagh, James F.
Cormican, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Kearney, John J.

Messrs. Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Perrin, Harold L.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 17.

NAYS.

Messrs. Churchill, George B.
Curtin, John A.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 13.

PAIRED.**YEAS.**

Mr. Silas D. Reed (present),
Mr. Edward B. Eames,

NAYS.

Mr. George D. Chamberlain
Mr. Edward Callahan (present). — 4.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Colburn, Arthur W.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Hardy, Leonard F.

Messrs. McIntosh, David S.
Smith, Charles S. — 5.

So the motion to reconsider prevailed.

Pending the recurring question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, Mr. Kearney moved that the further consideration thereof be postponed until the matters in the Orders of the Day had been disposed of.

Mr. Hobbs moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until the next session.

The question being first put on the latter motion (that motion having precedence, under the rule), it was negatived, by a vote of 11 to 18.

The motion that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until the matters in the Orders of the Day had been disposed of, prevailed.

Subsequently, the matters in the Orders of the Day having been disposed of, the bill was again considered.

Mr. Kearney moved that the bill be amended in section 1, by striking out, at the end thereof, the words "subject to the approval of the Council", and inserting in place thereof the words "by a commission of three persons, one of whom shall be the Director of the Bureau of Statistics, a second a returned soldier, sailor or marine, to be appointed by the Governor, and a third a representative of labor, also to be appointed by the Governor."

The question on the adoption of this amendment was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Kearney, John J.

Messrs. Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 17.

NAYS.

Messrs. Churchill, George B.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.

Messrs. Knox, Joseph O.
Prescott, Francis
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 7.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. Harold L. Perrin (present),
Mr. John E. Beck,
Mr. Silas D. Reed (present),
Mr. James F. Cavanagh (present),
Mr. David S. McIntosh,
Mr. Edward B. Eames,

NAYS.

Mr. Charles L. Gifford.
Mr. John A. Curtin (present).
Mr. George D. Chamberlain.
Mr. Augustus P. Loring.
Mr. Edward N. Dahlborg (present).
Mr. Walter A. Hardy (present). — 12.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Colburn, Arthur W.
Hardy, Leonard F.

Mr. Charles S. Smith. — 3.

So the amendment was adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

To allow savings banks and institutions for savings to pay interest on deposits in certain cases (House, No. 566, on the petition of the Massachusetts Savings Bank Association); and

Savings banks, — guaranteeing interest on deposits. Disabled soldiers and sailors, — hawkers' and pedlers' licenses.

To authorize the granting of special licenses as hawkers and pedlers to disabled veterans of the present war (House, No. 1355, — on the petition of M. A. O'Brien, Jr., accompanied by bill, House, No. 67);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

A Bill to continue as a corporation the Marlborough Building Association (House, No. 950, changed, — on the petition of R. H. Beaudreau and another), — was read. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Knox, and the bill was read a second time and a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Marlborough Building Association.

Reports

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 95) of James J. Casey that the public works department of the city of Boston be authorized to reemploy him without further civil service examination;

Boston, — James J. Casey.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 569) of Philip J. Feinberg that William F. Johnson be reinstated in the fire department of the city of Boston; and

Boston, — William F. Johnson.

On the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 734) of Katharine M. Sullivan and another that the city of Boston be authorized to compensate her for injuries received in a library building in said city;

Boston, — Katharine M. Sullivan.

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 572) of William J. Manning relative to the taking of water from hydrants and standpipes in the city of Boston;

Boston, — hydrants and standpipes.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 268) of Edward J. Cox relative to the listing and publication of public telephones by the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company;

Public telephones, — listing.

Of the committee on Social Welfare, no legislation necessary, on the recommendations of the Board of Parole (House, No. 403) (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 404 and 405);

Board of Parole, — recommendations.

Land takings,
— non-pay-
ment of taxes.

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1012) of Eliza A. Aldworth for an amendment of the law relative to the sale and taking of land for non-payment of taxes; and

Hudson, —
volunteer serv-
ices of
policemen.

Of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1327) of Frederick P. Glazier that the town of Hudson be authorized to compensate certain members of its police force for volunteer services during the epidemic of influenza;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Committee
on Counties,
— travel.

The following House order was adopted, in concurrence:—

Ordered, That the committee on Counties be authorized to visit, in the discharge of their duties, the county institutions in the counties of Barnstable, Berkshire, Bristol, Essex, Franklin, Hampden, Hampshire, Middlesex, Norfolk, Plymouth and Worcester, on or before the twenty-ninth day of March in the current year.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

United Marble
Companies.

The Senate Bill to revive the corporation known as the United Marble Companies (printed as House, No. 198), — was considered; and, pending the amendment previously recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Wednesday, on motion of Mr. Tarbell.

Irish
independence.

The Senate Resolutions in favor of Irish independence (Senate, No. 98), — were considered, the question being on adopting them.

Mr. Loring moved that the resolutions be laid on the table; and this motion was negatived.

The question on adopting the resolutions was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Jackson, George H.

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 27.

NAYS.

Messrs. Churchill, George B.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Gifford, Charles L.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Loring, Augustus P.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 6.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Eames, Edward B.

Messrs. Hardy, Leonard F.
McIntosh, David S.
Smith, Charles S. — 6.

So the resolutions were adopted.

The resolutions were as follows: —

"Whereas, The General Court of Massachusetts reaffirms as the fundamental doctrine of our institutions that all governments 'derive their just powers from the consent of the governed,' a great truth which, expressed under the designation of the 'self-determination of peoples,' the President of the United States and the other great leaders of progressive ideas among the allied nations are proposing to put into practical execution in the interest of oppressed nationalities, like Belgium, Servia, Montenegro, and other States whose interests and aspirations have been set at naught because of the dominance of the opposing principle that might makes right, and

"Whereas, No people are better deserving of the blessings of the right of self-determination than the people of Ireland, the service of whose sons in the colonization of America, in the winning of its independence, in the founding of its institutions and the creation of its health and prosperity, has placed America and democratic government everywhere in its everlasting debt, therefore be it

"Resolved, That The General Court of Massachusetts urge upon the President of the United States and his associates in framing the final terms of peace, as a matter of simple justice and as one of the guaranties of the continuance of peace and contentment in Ireland, the granting of complete independence to the Irish people.

"Resolved, That copies of these resolutions be sent by the Secretary of the Commonwealth to the President of the United States, to the representatives of the United States at the peace conference, to the presiding officer of the United States Senate, and to the Senators in Congress from this Commonwealth."

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Report of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 118) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to the removal, suspension or reduction of persons in classified service, — was accepted, in concurrence.

Civil service, —
certifications.

The bills

Relative to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Middlesex (Senate, No. 69); and

Relative to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Middlesex (Senate, No. 70);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Suffolk
County, —
Timothy R.
Sullivan.

The House Bill to authorize the county of Suffolk to pension Timothy R. Sullivan (printed as Senate, No. 97), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment previously adopted by the Senate, which was sent down for concurrence.

Aero Sales
Company,
Incorporated.

The House Bill to revive the corporation known as the Aero Sales Company, Incorporated (House, No. 633), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out section 2.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

House bills.

The House bills

Relative to membership in The Proprietors of Saint James's Church in Roxbury (House, No. 1068); and

To authorize the city of Melrose to pay a pension to Charles E. Merrill (House, No. 1279, changed);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Episcopal City
Mission.

The House Bill relative to the property and purposes of the Episcopal City Mission (House, No. 1338), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out section 2.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Joint Rules.

The Senate Report of the joint special committee appointed to prepare rules for the government of the two branches (Senate, No. 320), — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Reed.

Opaque glass.

The Senate Report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 269) of Michael H. Jordan relative to the use of opaque glass in workshops and factories, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Knox.

House reports.

The House reports

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 630) of Edward Keevin relative to boxing exhibitions in certain cities; and

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 504) of The Dorchester Board of Trade relative to the responsibility of tenants, occupants and others for the sanitary condition of buildings and premises;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The House Report of the committee on Social Welfare, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 91) of John Mitchell relative to the pensioning of laborers in the employ of cities and towns, — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

Municipal
employees, —
pensions.

On motion of Mr. Cronin, the report was amended by substituting a "Bill relative to the pensioning of laborers in the employ of cities and towns" (printed as House, No. 91); and the bill was read, and, under the rule, was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Tarbell, at twelve minutes before one o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, February 17, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

Bridges between Boston, Chelsea, Everett and Winthrop.

By Mr. Beck, for the committee on Municipal Finance, on the petitions of Edward F. Willard (accompanied by bill, House, No. 78); and of Louis R. Kiernan (accompanied by bill, House, No. 968), a Bill relative to the cost of construction and maintenance of the bridges between the cities of Boston, Chelsea and Everett and the town of Winthrop (printed as House, No. 968);

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Chelsea, — refunding of indebtedness.

By Mr. Halliwell, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 967) of Melvin B. Breath that the city of Chelsea be authorized to refund certain indebtedness;

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Chatham, — books and documents.

A Bill to require the Secretary of the Commonwealth to furnish certain books and documents to the town of Chatham (House, No. 1326, on the petition of Frederick W. Eddy and others), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills

Lowell, — status of police officers.

To define the status of certain employees of the police department of the city of Lowell (House, No. 292, on the petition of Owen E. Brennen);

Lawrence, — widow of Thomas F. Doyle.

To authorize the city of Lawrence to pay an annuity to the widow of Thomas F. Doyle (House, No. 738, changed, — on the petition of Michael H. Jordan and others); and

Savings banks, — annual reports.

Relative to certain annual reports required of savings banks (House, No. 1359, — on the recommendations of the Bank Commissioner, House, No. 331, in part, see House, No. 334);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Soldiers and sailors, — additional compensation.

Resolutions urging Congress to provide additional pay for soldiers and sailors discharged from the service of the United States (House, No. 1280), — were read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Reports

Boston fire department, — Thomas J. Fay

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 453) of John B. Cashman that

Thomas J. Fay be reinstated in the fire department of the city of Boston;

Of the committee on Federal Relations, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by resolutions, House, No. 923) of Benjamin C. Lane for Federal legislation relative to the termination of war contracts;

War contracts.
— termination.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 6) of J. Butler Studley and others relative to the allowance to the prevailing party for the printing of briefs for argument before the Supreme Judicial Court;

Supreme Judicial Court, — allowance for printing briefs.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 46) of John J. Mahoney that the office of public defender be established in the municipal courts of the city of Boston;

Boston municipal courts, — public defender.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 99) of John F. Daly for the regulating of expert testimony in judicial proceedings;

Judicial procedure, — expert testimony.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 149) of The Massachusetts Prison Association for legislation to provide counsel for indigent defendants charged with felony;

Certain indigent defendants, — counsel.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 151) of Arthur B. Hultman that the county of Norfolk be authorized to pay the counsel fees of the defendant in the case of D'Addario, administrator, versus Hultman;

Norfolk County, — certain counsel fees.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 257) of Joseph A. Desaulniers relative to the execution of ejectment proceedings;

Ejectment proceedings, — execution.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 475) of Martin Hays that gambling in connection with certain sports and contests be prohibited;

Sports and contests, — gambling.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 599) of Charles D. Bradbury that persons charged with certain misdemeanors may be represented and enter plea in court by counsel; and

Motor-vehicle misdemeanants, — counsel.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 603) of George R. Ellis relative to the transfer of suits begun by the trustee process;

Trustee process, — transfer of suits.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 123) of the Universal Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts relative to providing for interchange of telephone service;

Interchange telephone service.

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1233) of Frank H. Cowin for the marking of candy and confectionery placed in cold storage; and

Confectionery in cold storage, — marking.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1235) of Thomas A. Niland relative to enlarging the powers of the board of health of the city of Boston; and

Boston board of health, — powers.

Of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 296) of Edward F.

Influenza sufferers, — assistance.

Harrington for an appropriation for the assistance of families who have suffered from influenza;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Boston deputy assessors, — salaries.

A Report of the committee on Cities, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1030) of John I. Fitzgerald that the salaries of the deputy assessors of the city of Boston be established, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, — was read and accepted, in concurrence

Supervisor of Administration, — purchase of furniture, supplies and equipment; superintendent of buildings.

Reports were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

Special report of the Supervisor of Administration relative to the purchase and distribution of office furniture, supplies and equipment by various departments of the State government, and recommending the establishment of the office of superintendent of buildings (House, No. 1378);

To the committee on Administration and Commissions.

Election statistics for 1918.

Annual report of the Secretary of the Commonwealth of the number of assessed polls, registered voters and persons who voted in the 1918 primaries and elections, with recommendations relative to the election laws (abstract of Pub. Doc. No. 43);

To the committee on Election Laws.

Greenfield, — ratifying certain action.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1379) of Frederick E. Pierce relative to ratifying certain action concerning certificates of nomination in the town of Greenfield; and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Legal Affairs.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the House) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

To prohibit the taking of alewives in the Weweantit River for a period of five years;

Relative to exemption from the payment of poll-taxes of persons in the military or naval service of the United States; and

To change the name of the Contractors Mutual Liability Insurance Company to Federal Mutual Liability Insurance Company.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Joint Rules.

The Senate Report of the joint special committee appointed to prepare rules for the government of the two branches (Senate, No. 320), — was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck.

The Bill relative to the pensioning of laborers in the employ of cities and towns (printed as House, No. 91), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to allow savings banks and institutions for savings to pay interest on deposits in certain cases (House, No. 566), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Curtin, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session.

Savings banks, — guaranteeing interest on deposits.

The Bill to authorize the granting of special licenses as hawkers and pedlers to disabled veterans of the present war (House, No. 1355), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. McLane, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session.

Disabled soldiers and sailors, — hawkers' and pedlers' licenses.

The House Bill relative to annual expenditures for instruction of the adult blind at their homes (House, No. 1142) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

House bill.

The Senate Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 224) of Herbert C. Parsons relative to granting permits to be at liberty to prisoners in jails and houses of correction, — was accepted.

Senate report.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 268) of Edward J. Cox relative to the listing and publication of public telephones by the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Gifford.

Public telephones, — listing.

The House reports

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 95) of James J. Casey that the public works department of the city of Boston be authorized to reemploy him without further civil service examination;

House reports.

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 569) of Philip J. Feinberg that William F. Johnson be reinstated in the fire department of the city of Boston;

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 572) of William J. Manning relative to the taking of water from hydrants and standpipes in the city of Boston;

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 734) of Katharine M. Sullivan and another that the city of Boston be authorized to compensate her for injuries received in a library building in said city;

House reports.

Of the committee on Social Welfare, no legislation necessary, on the recommendations of the Board of Parole (House, No. 403) (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 404 and 405);

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1012) of Eliza A. Aldworth for an amendment of the law relative to the sale and taking of land for non-payment of taxes; and

Of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House No. 1327) of Frederick P. Glazier that the town of Hudson be authorized to compensate certain members of its police force for volunteer services during the epidemic of influenza;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Smith, at half-past two o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, February 18, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill relative to expenditures by heads of departments and other officials of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1360), ought to pass; State officials and heads of departments, — expenditures.

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Chamberlain, for the committee on Public Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 167) of Michael F. Malone relative to the transfer of prisoners from penal institutions (Mr. Briggs, of the House, dissenting); Prisoners, — transfer.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Committee Discharged.

Mr. Weston, for the committee on Constitutional Amendments, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 56) of Louis Edwin Flye for an amendment of the Constitution empowering the General Court to define classes of property for purposes of taxation and to tax such classes of property at different rates; the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 465) of Henry D. Nunn for an amendment of the Constitution striking out the requirement that assessments, rates and taxes be proportional; and the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1198) of Leland Powers relative to an amendment of the Constitution to strike out the requirement that assessments, rates and taxes be proportional, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Taxation. Constitutional amendment, — proportional taxes.

The report was read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Petition.

Mr. McLane presented a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 324) of James H. Kay, mayor of the city of Fall River, and others that provision be made for the erection and furnishing of a registry of deeds in said city; and the petition was referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by the same Senator, to the committee on Counties. Fall River, — registry of deeds.

Sent down for concurrence.

Order.

Mr. Beck offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —

Committee on
Public Light-
ing. — travel.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Lighting be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the city of Taunton, on or before March 10.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Soldiers and
Sailors Com-
mission.

A Bill to establish the Soldiers and Sailors Commission (House, No. 1382, — on the petition of James H. Brennan, accompanied by bill, House, No. 36; and the petition of William A. Kneeland, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1297), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Woburn, —
water loan.

Bills

Relative to the water loan bonds to be issued by the city of Woburn (House, No. 497, on the petition of the mayor of said city);

Medford, —
school in-
debtedness.

To authorize the city of Medford to incur indebtedness for school purposes (House, No. 1361, — on the petitions of Fred J. Burrell, accompanied by bill, House, No. 549; and of the city solicitor of said city, accompanied by bill, House, No. 656); and

Persons re-
lieved from
naval service,
— civil service
status.

Relative to the civil service status of persons discharged or relieved from active duty from the military or naval service of the United States (House, No. 1362, — on so much of the Governor's Address, Senate, No. 1, as relates thereto, in part);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Greenfield, —
certificates of
nomination.

A Bill relative to the filing of certificates of nomination made by the caucus of Republican voters in the town of Greenfield (House, No. 1379, on the petition of Frederick E. Pierce), — was read. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Churchill, and the bill was read a second time and a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read as follows: "An Act relative to the filing of certificates of certain nominations in the town of Greenfield." Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Certain sol-
diers, — early
discharge.

Resolutions favoring an early discharge from the United States Army of all soldiers, except those in the regular army, who desire to be discharged (House, No. 1363, — new draft of resolutions, House, No. 1134), — were read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Reports

Certain bank-
ing concerns, —
taking of
deposits.

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the recommendations of the Bank Commissioner (House, No. 331) as relates to the receipt of deposits by persons not subject to the supervision of said commissioner (accompanied by bill, House, No. 337);

Of the committee on Municipal Finance, reference to the next General Court:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 209) of the selectmen of Norwood and others that said town be authorized to pay Norwood Hospital for the care of certain persons; Norwood, — support of Norwood Hospital.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 229) of Stewart B. McLeod, mayor, and another that the city of Brockton be authorized to extend Centre Street in said city; and Brockton, — extension of Centre Street.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 501) of the mayor and city solicitor of the city of Malden that cities and towns be authorized to borrow money for the payment of war service pay-rolls; War service pay-rolls, — municipal indebtedness.

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 969) of Seth F. Arnold for the repeal of certain provisions of law relative to the sale and distribution of narcotic drugs and medical instruments; Narcotic drugs and medical instruments.

Of the joint committee on Rules, reference to the next General Court:

On the petition (accompanied by order, House, No. 848) of Francis J. W. Ford and another relative to an investigation of the coal industry in the city of Boston; and Boston, — investigation of coal industry.

On the petition (accompanied by order, House, No. 1263) of Franklin F. Roundy and another relative to the neglect of the Boston Elevated Railway Company to comply with the order of the Public Service Commission to extend its tracks in Broadway, formerly Pleasant Street, in the city of Boston; Boston, — street railway tracks on Broadway.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

A special report of the Supervisor of Administration recommending the establishment of departments of public utilities, public works, and agriculture, and the transfer of the duties of the Commissioner of Standards to the Secretary of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1357), — was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Administration and Commissions. Supervisor of Administration, — consolidation of certain departments.

A House petition of George S. Butters and others in aid of the petition of William A. Knowlton and others for an amendment of the Constitution to restore annual State elections, — was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Constitutional Amendments. Constitutional amendment, — annual State elections.

Emergency Preamble Adopted and Bill Enacted.

An engrossed Bill to authorize the issue of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors for any part of the license year beginning in 1919 (which originated in the House) (see House, No. 1333, amended), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: — Intoxicating liquors, — part-year licenses.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Chamberlain, George D.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 33.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.

Messrs. Curran, George E.
Hastings, George A.
Sullivan, Peter F. — 6.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

The bill was then passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first six of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To abolish the reserve police force in the city of Boston;

To require the registration of hospitals in the city of Boston;

To place the chief of police of the city of Beverly under the civil service laws;

To authorize the city of Boston to pay a sum of money to the widow of Ellison B. Cushing;

To provide for the reinstatement of John W. Leahon in the public works department of the city of Boston;

Relative to the reinstatement of Daniel J. O'Sullivan in the public works department of the city of Boston;

To continue as a corporation the Marlborough Building Association;

To authorize the city of Cambridge to retire and pension Nellie M. Carey;

To permit the city of Woburn to acquire the capital stock of the Horn Pond Branch Railroad Company;

To abolish the board of health and inspector of milk of the city of Quincy and to create the office of health commissioner of said city; and

Relative to filling the office of mayor of the city of Quincy during the temporary absence or disability of the mayor and to succession to said office in case of vacancy.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Bill to allow savings banks and institutions for savings to pay interest on deposits in certain cases (House, No. 566), — was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading. Savings banks, — guaranteeing interest on deposits.

On motion of Mr. Curtin, the bill was amended by inserting after the words "institutions for savings", in line 1, the words "and trust companies in their savings departments".

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the granting of special licenses as hawkers and peddlers to disabled veterans of the present war (House, No. 1355), — was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading. Disabled soldiers and sailors, — hawkers' and peddlers' licenses.

Mr. Kearney moved that the bill be laid on the table; and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS. — 0.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 37.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. George D. Chamberlain,

Mr. Peter F. Sullivan. — 2.

So the Senate refused to lay the bill on the table.

The question on ordering the bill to a third reading was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.

Messrs. Colburn, Arthur W.
 Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
 Cronin, John
 Curran, George E.
 Curtin, John A.
 Dahlborg, Edward N.
 Eames, Edward B.
 Finkel, Samuel B.
 Foley, William J.
 Gifford, Charles L.
 Halliwell, John
 Hardy, Leonard F.
 Hardy, Walter A.
 Hastings, George A.
 Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
 Jackson, George H.

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
 Knox, Joseph O.
 Loring, Augustus P.
 Mahoney, John J.
 McIntosh, David S.
 McLane, Walter E.
 Nason, Arthur L.
 Nichols, Malcolm E.
 Perrin, Harold L.
 Prescott, Francis
 Reed, Silas D.
 Smith, Charles S.
 Tarbell, Warren E.
 Walsh, John J.
 Weston, Thomas, Jr.
 Winchester, Charles A. — 38.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. Peter F. Sullivan. — 1.

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Public tele-
 phones, —
 listing.

The House Report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 268) of Edward J. Cox relative to the listing and publication of public telephones by the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company, — was accepted, in concurrence.

Bridges be-
 tween Boston,
 Chelsea, Ever-
 ett and
 Winthrop.

The Senate Bill relative to the cost of construction and maintenance of the bridges between the cities of Boston, Chelsea and Everett and the town of Winthrop (printed as House, No. 968), — was read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Halliwell, the bill was recommitted to the committee on Municipal Finance.

Bills.

The bills

To define the status of certain employees of the police department of the city of Lowell (House, No. 292);

To authorize the city of Lawrence to pay an annuity to the widow of Thomas F. Doyle (House, No. 738, changed); and

Relative to certain annual reports required of savings banks (House, No. 1359);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Soldiers and
 sailors, —
 additional
 compensation.

The House Resolutions urging Congress to provide additional pay for soldiers and sailors discharged from the service of the United States (House, No. 1280), — were adopted, in concurrence.

The resolutions were as follows: —

"Whereas, Thousands of soldiers and sailors in the service of their country are daily being discharged from the army or navy of the United States; and

"Whereas, Such discharged soldiers and sailors are encountering much difficulty in securing employment on account of the present industrial condition of the country; and

"Whereas, In the opinion of The General Court of Massachusetts, it is the duty of the National government to provide for the care and support of such discharged soldiers and sailors until they secure employment; therefore be it

"Resolved, That The General Court of Massachusetts hereby requests the Congress of the United States to pass suitable legislation for the purpose of providing six months' additional pay for soldiers and sailors upon their discharge from the service of the United States; and be it further

"Resolved, That copies of these resolutions be sent by the Secretary of the Commonwealth to the President of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the National House of Representatives and to the members of the Senate and House in Congress from this Commonwealth."

The Senate Bill to increase the allowance for clerical assistance to the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Middlesex, payable from the county treasury (Senate, No. 69) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Senate bill.
Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill to increase the allowance from the State treasury for clerical assistance to the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Middlesex (Senate, No. 70) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out section 2. Middlesex County, — clerical assistance for register of probate and insolvency.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.
Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill relative to the pensioning of laborers in the employ of cities and towns (printed as House, No. 91), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 1, by inserting after the word "amended", in line 4, the words "by striking out the word 'average', in the fifteenth line and"; and by striking out, in line 22, the word "average". Municipal laborers, — pensions.

These amendments were adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.
Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Report of the committee on Municipal Finance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 967) of Melvin B. Breath that the city of Chelsea be authorized to refund certain indebtedness, — was accepted. Senate report.
Sent down for concurrence.

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 46) of John J. Mahoney that the office of public defender be established in the municipal courts of the city of Boston, — Boston, — public defender.

was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Mahoney.

Norfolk
County, —
counsel fees.

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 151) of Arthur B. Hultman that the county of Norfolk be authorized to pay the counsel fees of the defendant in the case of D'Addario, administrator, versus Hultman, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of Mr. McIntosh.

The House reports

House reports.

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 453) of John B. Cashman that Thomas J. Fay be reinstated in the fire department of the city of Boston;

Of the committee on Federal Relations, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by resolutions, House, No. 923) of Benjamin C. Lane for Federal legislation relative to the termination of war contracts;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 6) of J. Butler Studley and others relative to the allowance to the prevailing party for the printing of briefs for argument before the Supreme Judicial Court;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 99) of John F. Daly, for the regulating of expert testimony in judicial proceedings;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 149) of the Massachusetts Prison Association for legislation to provide counsel for indigent defendants charged with felony;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 257) of Joseph A. Desaulniers relative to the execution of ejectment proceedings;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 475) of Martin Hays that gambling in connection with certain sports and contests be prohibited;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 599) of Charles D. Bradbury that persons charged with certain misdemeanors may be represented and enter plea in court by counsel;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 603) of George R. Ellis relative to the transfer of suits begun by the trustee process;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 123) of the Universal Telephone and Telegraph Company

of Massachusetts relative to providing for interchange of telephone service;

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1233) of Frank H. Cowin for the marking of candy and confectionery placed in cold storage;

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1235) of Thomas A. Niland relative to enlarging the powers of the board of health of the city of Boston; and

Of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 296) of Edward F. Harrington for an appropriation for the assistance of families who have suffered from influenza;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, at eight minutes past three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, February 19, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

Holyoke, —
nomination
papers.

By Mr. Hobbs, for the committee on Election Laws, on the petition of John F. Sheehan and others, a Bill relative to nomination papers in the city of Holyoke (Senate, No. 57);

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

State and
county officers,
— party nom-
inations.

By Mr. Loring, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 178) of James F. Cavanagh for the abolition of party nominations for State and county officers and the use of all party or political designations in the election of such officers;

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Committee Discharged.

Boston, —
public
landings.

Mr. Brown, for the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1043) of James H. Brennan that the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands be authorized to construct and maintain certain public landings in the city of Boston, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

The report was read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Petition.

Estates of
persons who
died in mili-
tary or naval
service, —
exemption
from inher-
itance taxes.

Mr. McKnight presented a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 325) of Edwin T. McKnight that the estates of persons who have died in the military or naval service of the United States be exempt from the provisions of the law imposing inheritance and succession taxes; and the petition was referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. McLane, to the committee on Taxation.

Sent down for concurrence.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Brown, —

Joint special
committee to
investigate fish

Ordered, That the General Court will receive the report of the joint special committee of the General Court of 1918 appointed

to investigate the fish industry in this Commonwealth if such report is submitted not later than the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and nineteen.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Relative to the rank of Major James P. Clare, retired (House, No. 652, on the petition of Arthur N. Newhall);

Major James P. Clare, — rank.

To authorize the city of Brockton to make an additional surface drainage loan (House, No. 1286, changed, — on the petition of the mayor and city solicitor of said city); and

Brockton, — surface drainage loan.

To establish the military rank of The Adjutant General (House, No. 1365, — on the petition of Herbert Parker and another, accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 266);

The Adjutant General, — military rank.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for second reading.

Reports

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1028) of James H. Brennan that the salaries of the first assistant assessors of the city of Boston be established; and

Boston first assistant assessors, — salaries.

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 538) of Warren A. Reed and others relative to exempting the General Insurance Guaranty Fund from taxation;

General Insurance Guaranty Fund, — taxation.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate Bill relative to the taking of scallops in the town of Dennis (Senate, No. 312), had been rejected by the House.

Dennis, — taking of scallops.

The Senate petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 287) of Clifton Loring that provision be made for fixing the rental to be paid by the Boston Elevated Railway Company for structures authorized for its use (referred by the Senate, under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice had been given as the committee should direct), — came up, with the endorsement that the House had concurred in the suspension of the said rule and in the instructions; and that it had referred the petition, in non-concurrence, to the committees on Street Railways and Metropolitan Affairs, sitting jointly.

Boston Elevated Railway Company, — rental of certain structures.

On motions of Mr. Perrin, the Senate receded from its reference to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, and concurred in the reference made by the House, with an amendment striking out the words "committees on Street Railways and Metropolitan Affairs, sitting jointly," and inserting in place thereof the words "committee on Street Railways."

Sent down for concurrence in the amendment.

Stoneham, —
indebtedness.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1373) of Arthur N. Newhall that the town of Stoneham be authorized to fund and to refund certain indebtedness; and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Municipal Finance.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To increase the maximum amount which may be deposited in savings banks;

Authorizing the city of Holyoke to pay a sum of money to the widow of John Nugent;

Relative to the signing of tax warrants;

To authorize the city of Melrose to pay a pension to Charles E. Merrill;

Relative to membership in The Proprietors of Saint James Church in Roxbury;

To authorize the city of Fitchburg to incur additional indebtedness for the extension of its water supply; and

Relative to the filing of certificates of certain nominations in the town of Greenfield.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

United Marble
Companies.

The Senate Bill to revive the corporation known as the United Marble Companies (printed as House, No. 198), — was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The Senate adopted the pending amendment previously recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, — striking out section 2.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The bills

Bills.

Relative to the water loan bonds to be issued by the city of Woburn (House, No. 497);

Relative to expenditures by heads of departments and other officials of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1360); and

To authorize the city of Medford to incur indebtedness for school purposes (House, No. 1361);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Persons re-
lieved from
military or
naval service,
— civil service
status.

The House Bill relative to the civil service status of persons discharged or relieved from active duty from the military or naval service of the United States (House, No. 1362), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Counihan, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, its

title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read as follows: "An Act relative to the civil service status of persons discharged from the military or naval service of the United States or relieved from active duty therein." Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

The House Resolutions favoring an early discharge from the United States Army of all soldiers, except those in the regular army, who desire to be discharged (House, No. 1363), — were adopted, in concurrence. Certain soldiers, — early discharge.

The resolutions were as follows:

"*Whereas*, The present state of affairs in Europe permits of a great reduction in the size of the army now maintained by the United States; and

"*Whereas*, The number of men who are willing and able to serve for the duration of the war or longer is adequate for any probable need, and a much larger number are anxious to return to their homes and to positions where they are urgently needed; and whereas the retention of such men in the service means in many cases a loss of positions now awaiting them, and serious hardship to themselves and their families; therefore be it

"*Resolved*, That The General Court of Massachusetts urges upon Congress the passage of House Bill No. 13443, now pending therein, or some similar legislation, to provide for the prompt and honorable discharge from the army, with adequate pay and mileage allowance to convey them home, of all enlisted men in the military service not included in the regular army, who shall file with their commanding officer a statement in writing that such is their desire; and be it further

"*Resolved*, That copies of these resolutions be sent by the Secretary of the Commonwealth to the members of Congress from Massachusetts, and to the presiding officers of both branches of Congress."

The House bills

To define the status of certain employees of the police department of the city of Lowell (House, No. 292); House bills.

To authorize the city of Lawrence to pay an annuity to the widow of Thomas F. Doyle (House, No. 738, changed);

To authorize the granting of special licenses as hawkers and peddlers to disabled veterans of the present war (House, No. 1355); and

To dispense with certain statements in the annual reports of savings banks (House, No. 1359) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate Report of the committee on Public Institutions, Senate report. leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 167) of Michael F. Malone relative to the transfer of prisoners from penal institutions, — was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House reports**House reports.**

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the recommendations of the Bank Commissioner (House, No. 331) as relates to the receipt of deposits by persons not subject to the supervision of said commissioner (accompanied by bill, House, No. 337);

Of the committee on Municipal Finance, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 209) of the selectmen of Norwood and others that said town be authorized to pay Norwood Hospital for the care of certain persons;

Of the committee on Municipal Finance, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 229) of Stewart B. McLeod, mayor, and another that the city of Brockton be authorized to extend Centre Street in said city;

Of the committee on Municipal Finance, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 501) of the mayor and city solicitor of the city of Malden that cities and towns be authorized to borrow money for the payment of war service pay-rolls;

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 969) of Seth F. Arnold for the repeal of certain provisions of law relative to the sale and distribution of narcotic drugs and medical instruments;

Of the joint committee on Rules, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by order, House, No. 848) of Francis J. W. Ford and another relative to an investigation of the coal industry in the city of Boston; and

Of the joint committee on Rules, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by order, House, No. 1263) of Franklin F. Roundy and another relative to the neglect of the Boston Elevated Railway Company to comply with the order of the Public Service Commission to extend its tracks in Broadway, formerly Pleasant Street, in the city of Boston;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Counihan, at twenty-six minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, February 20, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Bill Recalled from the Governor.

On motion of Mr. Jackson, it was voted that a message be sent to His Excellency the Governor requesting the return to the Senate of the engrossed Bill authorizing the city of Holyoke to pay a sum of money to the widow of John Nugent (which originated in the Senate) (see Senate, No. 307, amended).

Holyoke, —
widow of
John Nugent.

Mr. Jackson was appointed the messenger. Subsequently, the bill was returned and was laid before the Senate. The same Senator moved that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had passed the bill to be enacted; and this motion prevailed.

On further motions of Mr. Jackson, Senate Rule No. 49 was suspended and the bill was amended in section 1, by striking out, in line 3 (as printed), the words "from influenza contracted."

Sent down for concurrence in the amendment. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill to require the Secretary of the Commonwealth to furnish certain books and documents to the town of Chatham (House, No. 1326), ought to pass;

Chatham, —
books and
documents.

By Mr. McLane, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to establish positions and salaries in the executive department of the Commonwealth (printed as House, No. 325) (the same having been considered jointly with the House committee on Ways and Means, under the provisions of Joint Rule No. 1), ought to pass; and

Executive
department, —
positions and
salaries.

By Mr. Smith, for the same committee, that the House Resolve to provide for an investigation by the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board as to the practicability of utilizing the water-power of the metropolitan water supply (House, No. 1091), ought to pass;

Metropolitan
water supply,
— utilising
water-power.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Sullivan, for the committee on Banks and Banking, on so much of the recommendations of the Bureau of Immigration (House, No. 359) as relates thereto, a Bill relative to the taking and transmission of deposits by certain persons, partnerships, associations and corporations (printed as House, No. 360); and

Deposits in
banking
institutions, —
transmission.

General Court,
— discontinu-
ing publication
of book of
rules.

By Mr. Mahoney, for the joint committee on Rules, (in part) on the petition of Harry Cooke (accompanied by bill, House, No. 697), a Bill discontinuing the publication of the book of rules and other matters, in form convenient for pocket use, for members and officers of the General Court (Senate, No. 321);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

General Court,
— portraits and
biographical
sketches of
members.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, (in part) on the petition of Harry Cooke (accompanied by bill, House, No. 697), a Resolve authorizing the purchase of a book containing portraits and biographical sketches of members of the General Court of 1919 (Senate, No. 322);

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Federal income
tax on certain
manufactures.

By Mr. Halliwell, for the committee on Federal Relations, on the resolutions (Senate, No. 58); and the petition of Frank Mulveny (accompanied by resolutions, House, No. 924), Resolutions in favor of the prohibitive Federal taxation of the income of manufacturers employing women or minors for excessive working hours (Senate, No. 323);

Read, and the resolutions placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on adopting them.

Committee on
Public
Lighting, —
travel.

By Mr. Beck, for the joint committee on Rules, that the Senate Order that the committee on Public Lighting be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the city of Taunton, on or before March 10, — ought to be adopted;

Read, and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bradford Dur-
fee Textile
School of
Fall River.
New Bedford
Textile School.

By Mr. Churchill, for the committee on Education, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the trustees of the Bradford Durfee Textile School of Fall River (House, No. 1018);

By the same Senator, for the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the trustees of the New Bedford Textile School (House, No. 1019);

Motor-vehicles,
— licensing
and regulating.

By Mr. Knox, for the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the recommitted petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 153) of David R. Radovsky relative to licensing and regulating the operation of motor-vehicles; and

Blue Book, —
publication.

By Mr. McLane, for the joint committee on Rules, no legislation necessary, on the special report of the Supervisor of Administration relative to the reasons for the delay in the printing and publication of the Blue Book for 1918, and making suggestions for the earlier publication of future issues of said volume (House, No. 1304);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Committee Discharged.

Consolidation
and arranging
of General
Laws, — ex-
tension of time
for report.

Mr. Churchill, for the committee on Ways and Means, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Senate Resolve to extend the time for filing the final re-

port of the Commissioners to consolidate and arrange the General Laws (Senate, No. 300).

The report was read and accepted; and, under the rule, the resolve was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Orders.

Mr. Weston offered the following orders; and, under the joint rule, they were severally referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit:—

Ordered, That the committee on Social Welfare be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the cities of Lowell and Lawrence, on or before March 15. Committee on Social Welfare, — travel.

Ordered, That the committee on Social Welfare be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the city of Boston on or before March 28. Id.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill relative to the payment of insurance premiums to agents or brokers (House, No. 381, — on the recommendations of the Insurance Commissioner, House, No. 362, in part), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading. Insurance agents and brokers, — premiums.

Resolutions in favor of an amendment of the Constitution of the United States giving Congress power to regulate the hours of labor (House, No. 191, — on the petition of Victor Francis Jewett; the resolutions, House, No. 555; and the petitions of Elihu D. Stone, accompanied by resolutions, House, Nos. 925 and 926), — were read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session. Hours of labor, — Federal regulation.

Reports

Of the committee on Municipal Finance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 965) of William P. Hickey and another that cities and towns be authorized to buy and sell real estate and loan money for the purpose of improving housing conditions; and Municipalities, — real estate loans.

Of the committee on Taxation, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 305) of Roland D. Sawyer relative to the taxation of the income of savings banks and institutions for savings; Savings banks, — taxation of income.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to a Resolve in favor of the Commissioners of the Massachusetts Nautical School (House, No. 1377, introduced on leave); and the resolve was returned to the House for its action. Massachusetts Nautical School, — assistance at tank explosion.

House petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows:—

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1367) of George R. Beal, mayor, and others relative to the establishment of a public welfare commission in the city of Waltham; Waltham, — public welfare commission.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Cities.

Merchandise
and commodi-
ties, —
packing and
baling.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1369) of The Dry Felt and Paper Manufacturers Association that proper penalties be provided to guard against fraud in the packing or baling of merchandise or commodities; and

Grace Univer-
salist Society
of Lowell.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1371) of Charles H. Hanson and others that the name of the Grace Universalist Society of Lowell be changed;

Severally, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, in each instance, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Veterans of
all wars, —
memorial
building.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1372) of Henry S. Clark and others for a commission to provide for a memorial building for the use of the veterans of all wars in which the United States have participated;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Military Affairs.

Soldiers and
sailors, —
additional
compensation.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1384) of John R. Hudson that cities and towns be authorized to appropriate money for the payment of additional compensation to citizens who served in the European war;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Municipal Finance.

State Depart-
ment of Health,
— taking of
clams.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1374) of Charles D. Bradbury that the State Department of Health be given certain authority relative to the taking of clams;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Public Health.

Worcester
State Hospital,
— sprinkler
system of
fire protection.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1375) of Michael F. Malone for the establishment of a sprinkler system of fire protection at the Worcester State Hospital;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Public Institutions.

State Board
of Labor and
Industries, —
inspectors.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1376) of Dennis F. Reardon that the number of inspectors of the State Board of Labor and Industries be increased and that temporary inspectors be made permanent;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Public Service.

Charles River,
— memorial
bridge be-
tween Boston
and Cam-
bridge.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1385) of Clarence P. Kidder that provision be made for the construction of a memorial bridge over the Charles River between Boston and Cambridge;

Under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, to the committee on Roads and Bridges, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

Metropolitan
district, —
transportation
of pupils.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1386) of Frederic F. Clauss relative to the transportation of school pupils in the metropolitan district, including Cambridge;

Under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

Engrossed Bills Amended.

An engrossed Bill authorizing the city of Holyoke to pay a sum of money to the next of kin of Dennis Sullivan (which originated in the Senate) (see Senate, No. 306), — was put upon its final passage. Holyoke, —
next of kin
of Dennis
Sullivan.

On motions of Mr. Jackson, Senate Rule No. 49 was suspended and the bill was amended in section 1, by striking out, in lines 3 and 4 (as printed), the words "from influenza contracted."

Sent down for concurrence in the amendment. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

An engrossed Bill authorizing the city of Holyoke to pay a sum of money to the widow of Thomas Monahan (which originated in the Senate) (see Senate, No. 308), — was put upon its final passage. Holyoke, —
widow of
Thomas
Monahan.

On motions of Mr. Jackson, Senate Rule No. 49 was suspended and the bill was amended in section 1, by striking out, in line 3 (as printed), the words "from influenza contracted."

Sent down for concurrence in the amendment. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

An engrossed Bill authorizing the city of Holyoke to pay a sum of money to the mother of James Walsh (which originated in the Senate) (see Senate, No. 309), — was put upon its final passage. Holyoke, —
mother of
James Walsh.

On motions of Mr. Jackson, Senate Rule No. 49 was suspended and the bill was amended in section 1, by striking out, in line 3 (as printed), the words "of influenza contracted."

Sent down for concurrence in the amendment. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first four of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

To authorize the city of Brockton to pension James Keough;

To authorize the city of Brockton to pay a pension to John McCaffrey; Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To authorize the Trustees of Phillips Academy to hold additional real and personal estate;

To place the matron of the police department of the city of Taunton under the civil service laws; and

Relative to annual expenditure for instruction of the adult blind at their homes.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The bills

Relative to nomination papers in the city of Holyoke (Senate, Bills. No. 57);

Bills.

Relative to the rank of Major James P. Clare, retired (House, No. 652);

To authorize the city of Brockton to make an additional surface drainage loan (House, No. 1286, changed); and

To establish the military rank of The Adjutant General (House, No. 1365);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The House bills**House bills.**

Relative to removing certain restrictions on the issue of water bonds by the city of Woburn (House, No. 497) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Relative to expenditures by heads of departments and other officials of the Commonwealth in advance of appropriations (House, No. 1360) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

To authorize the city of Medford to incur indebtedness for school purposes (House, No. 1361);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

State and county officers, — party nominations.

The Senate Report of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 178) of James F. Cavanagh for the abolition of party nominations for State and county officers and the use of all party or political designations in the election of such officers, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of Mr. Beck.

House reports.**The House reports**

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1028) of James H. Brennan that the salaries of the first assistant assessors of the city of Boston be established; and

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 538) of Warren A. Reed and others relative to exempting the General Insurance Guaranty Fund from taxation;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Counihan, at twenty minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

FRIDAY, February 21, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Resolve authorizing the purchase of a book containing portraits and biographical sketches of members of the General Court of 1919 (Senate, No. 322), ought to pass;

General Court,
— portraits and
biographical
sketches of
members.

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Election Laws, on the petitions of Addison P. Burnham (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 254), and of Addison P. Burnham and others (accompanied by bill, House, No. 920), a Bill relative to the registration of voters in the city of Gloucester (Senate, No. 254);

Gloucester, —
registration
of voters.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 7) of Fred P. Greenwood that city and State elections be held upon the same day;

State and
city elections,
— to be held on
the same day.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 8) of Fred P. Greenwood that city elections be held in the month of October; and

City elections,
— date.

By Mr. Chamberlain, for the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 270) of the Massachusetts Osteopathic Society, by Francis A. Cave, chairman, and others that the sale of certain poisonous drugs be restricted;

Poisonous
drugs, —
restriction
of sale.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Authorizing the town of Brookline to appropriate money for food conservation and for spreading knowledge of food values (House, No. 77, on the petition of the selectmen of said town); and

Brookline, —
food conserva-
tion and
food values.

Authorizing the town of Millville to borrow money for the purpose of paying its debt to the town of Blackstone (House, No. 658, on the petition of Allan G. Buttrick);

Millville, —
indebtedness
to Blackstone.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Reports

Savings banks,
— loans on
real estate.

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 903) of Jacob Tarplin that savings banks be required to limit their loans on real estate;

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court (at the request of the petitioner):

Trust companies, — savings
department
accounts.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1187) of James W. Robertson relative to restricting trust companies in the amount on any deposit or account in their savings departments; and

Trust companies, — business
methods.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1188) of James W. Robertson for an investigation of the business methods of trust companies;

Springfield, —
discontinuance
of a public
landing.

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 464) of Frank A. Farnham for the discontinuance of a public landing in the city of Springfield; and

Jails and
houses of
correction, —
State
maintenance.

Of the committee on Public Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 198) of the Massachusetts Civic League, by Herbert C. Parsons, vice-president, that the jails and houses of correction now maintained by counties be maintained by the Commonwealth;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Personal
property, —
conditional
sales.

A Report of the committee on Legal Affairs, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 117) of Charles W. Gould relative to conditional sales of personal property, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary, — was read and accepted, in concurrence.

Emergency Preambles Adopted and Bills Enacted.

Savings banks,
— investments.

An engrossed Bill relative to investments of savings banks and institutions for savings (which originated in the House) (see House, No. 1337, amended), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.

Messrs. Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.

Messrs. Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.

Messrs. Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 32.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Hardy, Leonard F.

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
Perrin, Harold L. — 7.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

The bill was then passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

An engrossed Bill relative to the civil service status of persons discharged from the military or naval service of the United States or relieved from active duty therein (which originated in the House) (see House, No. 1362), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

Discharged
soldiers and
sailors, — civil
service status.

YEAS.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 33.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Curtin, John A.
Hardy, Leonard F.

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
Perrin, Harold L. — 6.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

The bill was then passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (both of which originated in the House) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

Relative to the Trustees of Andover Theological Seminary; and
To authorize the city of Boston to pay a pension to Thomas
J. Downey.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The bills

Bills.

Discontinuing the publication of the book of rules and other matters, in form convenient for pocket use, for members and officers of the General Court (Senate, No. 321);

To establish positions and salaries in the Executive Department of the Commonwealth (printed as House, No. 325);

Relative to the payment of insurance premiums to agents or brokers (House, No. 381); and

To require the Secretary of the Commonwealth to furnish certain books and documents to the town of Chatham (House, No. 1326); and

Resolve.

The Resolve to provide for an investigation by the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board as to the practicability of utilizing the water-power of the metropolitan water supply (House, No. 1091);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Deposits in
banking
institutions, —
transmission.

The Bill relative to the taking and transmission of deposits by certain persons, partnerships, associations and corporations (printed as House, No. 360), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Reed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session.

Consolidation
and arranging
of General
Laws, — ex-
tension of time
for report.

The Resolve to extend the time for filing the final report of the Commissioners to consolidate and arrange the General Laws (Senate, No. 300), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Churchill, the resolve was laid on the table.

Federal income
tax on certain
manufactures.

The Senate Resolutions in favor of the prohibitive Federal taxation of the income of manufacturers employing women or minors for excessive working hours (Senate, No. 323), — were adopted.

The resolutions were as follows:

"Whereas, The diversity of the labor laws of the several States is the cause of unfair and unequal industrial competition, and an obstacle to the passage by this Commonwealth of further humane legislation affecting hours and conditions of labor, especially affecting women and minors, and

"Whereas, The only agency that can effectively overcome this diversity and insure uniformity in the hours and conditions of labor affecting women and minors is the Congress of the United States under its comprehensive powers of taxation, therefore be it

"Resolved, That The General Court of Massachusetts urge upon Congress the wisdom and necessity of levying upon all manufacturers who employ minors under sixteen years of age more than eight hours daily or women more than nine hours

daily or either more than forty-eight hours weekly, an income tax of sufficient proportions to prohibit such employment.

"Resolved, That copies of these resolutions be sent by the Secretary of the Commonwealth to the President of the United States, the presiding officers of both branches of Congress, and to the Senators and Representatives in Congress from this Commonwealth."

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Resolutions in favor of an amendment to the Constitution of the United States empowering Congress to regulate the hours of labor (House, No. 191) (the title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — were adopted, in concurrence.

Hours of labor,
— federal
regulation.

The resolutions were as follows:

"Resolved, That The General Court of Massachusetts hereby records its belief that the public interest will be better served and the hardships of human life ameliorated by National regulation of the hours of labor, and respectfully petitions the Congress of the United States to propose an amendment to the Constitution giving to Congress power to regulate the hours of labor and to make the same uniform throughout the United States; and

"Resolved, That certified copies of these resolutions be sent by the Secretary of the Commonwealth to the presiding officers of both branches of Congress, and to each of the Senators and Representatives in Congress from Massachusetts."

The Senate Bill relative to nomination papers in the city of Holyoke (Senate, No. 57), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Senate bill.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House bills

Relative to the rank of Major James P. Clare, retired (House, No. 652);

House bills.

To authorize the city of Brockton to make an additional surface drainage loan (House, No. 1286, changed); and

To establish the military rank of The Adjutant General (House, No. 1365);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on Education, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the trustees of the Bradford Durfee Textile School of Fall River (House, No. 1018);

Senate reports.

Of the committee on Education, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the trustees of the New Bedford Textile School (House, No. 1019); and

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the recommitted petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 153) of David R. Radovsky relative to licensing and regulating the operation of motor-vehicles;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Blue Book.

The Senate Report of the joint committee on Rules, no legislation necessary, on the special report of the Supervisor of Administration relative to the reasons for the delay in the printing and publication of the Blue Book for 1918, and making suggestions for the earlier publication of future issues of said volume (House, No. 1304), — was considered; and, pending, the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Reed.

The House reports**House reports.**

Of the committee on Municipal Finance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 965) of William P. Hickey and another that cities and towns be authorized to buy and sell real estate and loan money for the purpose of improving housing conditions; and

Of the committee on Taxation, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 305) of Roland D. Sawyer relative to the taxation of the income of savings banks and institutions for savings;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Colburn, at eight minutes before twelve o'clock A.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, February 24, 1919.

Met according to adjournment, Mr. McLane in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

A quorum was not present.

Senate,—
no quorum.

On motion of Mr. Reed, at three minutes past two o'clock P.M.
the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two
o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, February 25, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Lieutenant H. J. Milsom, of the First Canadian Contingent.

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Contingent.

Lieutenant H. J. Milsom of the First Canadian Contingent was presented by the President and addressed the Senate concerning experiences in the War and the obligations of home governments with regard to returning soldiers.

Senator Seth S. Thornton of Maine.

Honorable Seth
S. Thornton
of the Maine
Senate.

The Honorable Seth S. Thornton, member of the Maine Senate, was introduced by the President and briefly addressed the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

Senate rules.

Mr. Beck, for the special committee appointed to prepare rules for the government of the Senate, reported, in part, recommending that, in addition to Senate Rules Nos. 12 and 13, already adopted, the other rules of the Senate of last year be adopted as the rules for the present year, with the following changes (see Senate, No. 328):

In Rule No. 8, striking out near the end thereof the words "enacted bills" and inserting in place thereof the words "engrossed bills and resolves."

In Rule No. 33, striking out the last sentence and inserting in place thereof the following words: "If a bill or resolve referred to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading contains an emergency preamble, or if it provides for the borrowing of money by the Commonwealth and comes within the provisions of Section 3 of Article LXII of the Amendments of the Constitution, the committee shall plainly indicate the fact on the outside of the bill or resolve, or on a wrapper or label attached thereto."

In Rule No. 34, inserting after the words "and the question of enactment or final passage" the words "or of adopting an emergency preamble"; and by striking out the last sentence and inserting in place thereof the words "When an engrossed bill or resolve contains an emergency preamble or when it provides for the borrowing of money by the Commonwealth and comes within the provisions of Section 3 of Article LXII of the Amendments of the Constitution, the committee on Engrossed Bills shall plainly indicate the fact on the envelope thereof."

In Rule No. 36, adding at the end thereof the words "Reports of committees on proposals for amendment of the Constitution shall be dealt with in accordance with the provisions of Joint Rule No. 23."

In Rule No. 49, adding at the end thereof the words “; but this rule shall not apply to a bill or resolve returned by the Governor with a recommendation of amendment in accordance with the provisions of Article LVI of the Amendments of the Constitution.”

The report was read and, under the rule, was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Mr. Colburn, for the committee on Agriculture, reported, on the recommendations of the State Department of Agriculture (House, No. 328) (in part), a Bill to provide for the control of the European corn borer and other insect pests and plant diseases (Senate, No. 327).

The bill was read. The same Senator moved that all rules be suspended in order that the bill might take its several readings forthwith; and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 18.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Cavanagh, James F.
Cronin, John
Curtin, John A.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Walsh, John J. — 15.

PAIRED.

YEA.

Mr. Warren E. Tarbell,

NAY.

Mr. Silas D. Reed (present). — 2.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Curran, George E.

Messrs. Gifford, Charles L.
Knox, Joseph O. — 4.

So the Senate refused to suspend the rules, two-thirds of the Senators present and voting thereon not having voted in the affirmative.

Under the rule, the bill was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Hobbs, for the committee on Election Laws, on the petitions of Joseph O. Knox (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 5); of Roland D. Sawyer (accompanied by bills, House, No. 11 and 467); of George H. Crowell and others (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1202); and the special report of the Attorney-

State elections,
— absent —
voting.

General and the Secretary of the Commonwealth relative thereto (House, No. 554), a Bill to permit absent voters to vote at State elections (Senate, No. 326);

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. McLane, for the committee on Insurance, on the recommendations of the Insurance Commissioner (House, No. 362) (in part), the following bills:—

Insurance
Commissioner,
—certificates
as to authority.

Bill to authorize the Insurance Commissioner to issue certificates relative to the authority of licenses and companies (printed as House, No. 369);

Insurance
brokers, —
surety bonds.

Bill to require insurance brokers to furnish surety bonds (printed as House, No. 370, — changed by the committee in section 1, by inserting after the word "person", in line 1, the words ", firm or corporation"; by inserting after the word "sureties", in line 9, the words ", except surety companies authorized to issue surety bonds in this Commonwealth,"; and by inserting after the word "bond", in line 28, the words "if issued by a surety company"; and in section 2, by inserting after the word "chargeable", in line 14, the word "with");

Unlicensed
insurance
agents and
brokers.

Bill to prohibit unlicensed persons from advertising as insurance agents, brokers or adjusters (printed as House, No. 382); and

Insurance
companies, —
real estate
mortgages.

Bill relative to the filing of schedules of real estate mortgages by insurance companies (printed as House, No. 390); and

Fire insurance
policies, —
determination
of sound value.

By Mr. Brown, for the same committee, on the recommendations of the Insurance Commissioner (House, No. 362) (in part), a Bill relative to the determination of sound value under policies of fire insurance (printed as House, No. 371);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Committee on
Social Welfare,
—travel.

By Mr. Beck, for the joint committee on Rules, that the Senate Order that the committee on Social Welfare be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the city of Boston on or before March 28, — ought to be adopted;

Read, and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Orders.

Mr. Prescott offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit:—

Committee on
Fisheries and
Game, —
travel.

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the cities of Worcester, Pittsfield and Springfield, on or before March 12.

Mr. Halliwell offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit:—

Committee on
Municipal
Finance, —
travel.

Ordered, That the committee on Municipal Finance be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the city of Lowell, on or before March 5.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Report of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 919) of John F. Cabeen and others relative to the holding of primary elections for the nomination of candidates for municipal offices in the city of Salem, — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Salem, —
primary
elections.

The annual report of the Insurance Commissioner and the Bank Commissioner relative to savings and insurance banks and the General Insurance Guaranty Fund (House, No. 1391), — was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Insurance.

Savings and
insurance
banks; Gen-
eral Insurance
Guaranty
Fund.

The Senate petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 319) of Walter E. McLane for an increase in the number of doorkeepers, assistant doorkeepers, messengers and pages of the General Court (referred by the Senate to the joint committee on Rules), — came up, referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.

General Court,
— additional
doorkeepers,
messengers
and pages.

The Senate receded from its reference, on motion of Mr. McLane, and concurred in the reference to the committee on Public Service.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 151) of Arthur B. Hultman that the county of Norfolk be authorized to pay the counsel fees of the defendant in the case of D'Addario, administrator, versus Hultman, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of Mr. McIntosh.

Norfolk
County, —
counsel fees.

The Senate Report of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 178) of James F. Cavanagh for the abolition of party nominations for State and county officers and the use of all party or political designations in the election of such officers, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Cavanagh.

State and
county officers,
— party nom-
inations.

The Senate Bill relative to the taking and transmission of deposits by certain persons, partnerships, associations and corporations (printed as House, No. 360), — was considered; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was recommitted to the committee on Banks and Banking, on motion of Mr. Sullivan.

Deposits in
banking
institutions, —
transmission.

The Senate Report of the joint committee on Rules, no legislation necessary, on the Special Report of the Supervisor of Administration relative to the reasons for the delay in the printing

Blue Book.

and publication of the Blue Book for 1918, and making suggestions for the earlier publication of future issues of said volume (House, No. 1304), — was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

The bills

Bills.

Relative to the registration of voters in the city of Gloucester (Senate, No. 254);

Authorizing the town of Brookline to appropriate money for food conservation and for spreading knowledge of food values (House, No. 77); and

Authorizing the town of Millville to borrow money for the purpose of paying its debt to the town of Blackstone (House, No. 658); and

The Resolve authorizing the purchase of a book containing portraits and biographical sketches of members of the General Court of 1919 (Senate, No. 322);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Senate bill.

The Senate Bill discontinuing the publication of the book of rules and other matters for members and officers of the General Court (Senate, No. 321) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Executive department, — positions and salaries.

The Senate Bill relative to certain positions and salaries in the executive department of the Commonwealth (printed as House, No. 325) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out section 2.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House bills

House bills.

Relative to the payment of insurance premiums to agents or brokers (House, No. 381); and

Directing the Secretary of the Commonwealth to furnish certain books and documents to the town of Chatham (House, No. 1326) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

House resolve.

The House Resolve to provide for an investigation by the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board as to the practicability of utilizing the water-power of the metropolitan water supply (House, No. 1091);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate reports

Senate reports.

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 7) of Fred P. Greenwood that city and State elections be held upon the same day;

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 8) of Fred P. Greenwood that city elections be held in the month of October; and

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 270) of the Massachusetts Osteopathic Society, by Francis A. Cave, chairman, and others that the sale of certain poisonous drugs be restricted;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House reports

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 903) of Jacob Tarplin that savings banks be required to limit their loans on real estate; House reports.

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, reference to the next General Court (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1187) of James W. Robertson relative to restricting trust companies in the amount on any deposit or account in their savings departments;

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, reference to the next General Court (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1188) of James W. Robertson for an investigation of the business methods of trust companies;

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 464) of Frank A. Farnham for the discontinuance of a public landing in the city of Springfield; and

Of the committee on Public Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 198) of the Massachusetts Civic League, by Herbert C. Parsons, vice-president, that the jails and houses of correction now maintained by counties be maintained by the Commonwealth;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Beck, at twenty minutes past three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, February 26, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

European
corn borer.

By Mr. Smith, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill to provide for the control of the European corn borer and other insect pests and plant diseases (Senate, No. 327), ought to pass;

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

County aid
to agriculture,
— county com-
missioners re-
quired on
boards of
trustees.

By Mr. Colburn, for the committee on Agriculture, on the petition of George H. Ellis (accompanied by bill, House, No. 726), a Bill to require the membership of a county commissioner on boards of trustees for county aid to agriculture (Senate, No. 329);

County
tuberculosis
hospitals.

By Mr. Hastings, for the committee on Public Health, on the petition of Francis Prescott, a Bill relative to county tuberculosis hospitals (Senate, No. 114);

Hingham, —
locations for
electric lines.

By Mr. Beck, for the committee on Public Lighting, on the petition of the selectmen of Hingham, a Bill validating the locations granted by the town of Hingham for the electric lines of its electric light department (printed as House, No. 509); and

Municipal
lighting, —
managers.

By Mr. Nason, for the same committee, on the recommendations of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners (House, No. 350) (in part), a Bill relative to managers of municipal lighting (printed as House, No. 351);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Acts and
Resolves, —
publication in
single volume.

By Mr. Walsh, for the committee on Legal Affairs, on the petition of Silas D. Reed, a Bill to reestablish the publication of the Acts and Resolves in a single volume (Senate, No. 282);

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Memorials
commemorating
war service,
— State aid.

By Mr. Hardy of Worcester, for the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 196) of Peter F. Sullivan that provision be made for State aid in the erection by cities and towns of monuments or other memorials commemorating war service;

Soldiers and
sailors, —
public
memorial.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 70) of M. A. O'Brien, Jr., for the appointment of a committee to consider the question of erecting a public memorial to the soldiers and sailors who fought in the European war;

By Mr. Beck, for the committee on Public Lighting, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 273) of Edward A. Counihan, Jr., and another relative to the price of gas which may be charged by the Cambridge Gas Light Company; Cambridge Gas Light Company, — price of gas.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 803) of George A. Lancaster for the appointment of a special commission to ascertain the value of all public and private gas plants and the probable cost to the Commonwealth of acquiring the same; Gas plants, — value; probable cost to Commonwealth.

By Mr. Nason, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 242) of John F. Daly relative to the manufacture and sale of gas in the city of Cambridge; and Cambridge, — manufacture and sale of gas.

By Mr. Nichols, for the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1325) of Henry Achin, Jr., that cities and towns be authorized to exempt from taxation certain new building enterprises; New building enterprises, — taxation.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Knox, the Senate Report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 269) of Michael H. Jordan relative to the use of opaque glass in workshops and factories, — was taken from the table and considered, the question being on accepting it. Opaque glass.

Mr. Halliwell moved that the report be amended by substituting a "Bill relative to the use of opaque glass in workshops and factories" (Senate, No. 331); and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit:

YEAS.

Messrs. Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.

Messrs. Halliwell, John
Kearney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 14.

NAYS.

Messrs. Curtin, John A.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Knox, Joseph O.

Messrs. Loring, Augustus P.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Tarbell, Warren E. — 10.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. John J. Mahoney,
Mr. John E. Beck,
Mr. Edward N. Dahlborg (present),
Mr. Charles D. Brown (present),
Mr. George E. Curran,

NAYS.

Mr. Malcolm E. Nichols (present).
Mr. Thomas Weston, Jr. (present).
Mr. Harold L. Perrin.
Mr. David S. McIntosh.
Mr. Walter A. Hardy (present). — 10.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.

Messrs. Hardy, Leonard F.
Hastings, George A. — 5.

So the amendment was adopted, and, accordingly, the bill was substituted; and it was read and, under the rule, was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Order.

Mr. Tarbell offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —

Committee on
Towns, —
travel.

Ordered, That the committee on Towns be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the towns of Salisbury, Westport and West Stockbridge on or before March 15.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Lynn, —
widow of
George N.
Nichols.

A Bill to authorize the city of Lynn to pay a sum of money to the widow of George N. Nichols (House, No. 1194, changed, — on the petition of Walter H. Creamer, mayor), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Appropriations, —
aiding return-
ing soldiers,
sailors and
marines.

The House Bill making an appropriation for aiding returned soldiers, sailors and marines in finding employment (House, No. 1331), — came up, with the endorsement that the House had non-concurred in the adoption of the Senate amendment in section 1, striking out, at the end thereof, the words "subject to the approval of the Council", and inserting in place thereof the words "by a commission of three persons, one of whom shall be the Director of the Bureau of Statistics, a second a returned soldier, sailor or marine, to be appointed by the Governor, and a third a representative of labor, also to be appointed by the Governor."

Mr. Kearney moved that the Senate insist on its amendment.

Pending this motion, the bill was laid on the table, on further motion of the same Senator.

Reports

Arborists, —
registration.

Of the committee on Administration and Commissions, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 556) of the Massachusetts Forestry Association that arborists be registered;

Barbers, —
board of
examiners.

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 559) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for regulation of the occupation of barbering and for the creation of a board of examiners for the licensing of barbers (Mr. Doyle, of the House, dissenting);

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw;

State primary
elections;
statements
on ballots.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 745) of Alonzo P. Grinnell and others relative to State primary elections and to statements on ballots; and

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1039) of L. D. Fuller relative to primary elections in the city of Cambridge, — primary elections.

Of the committee on Federal Relations, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolutions, House, No. 1041) of Jerome A. Petitti and others for the passage of resolutions relative to the naturalization of aliens; Aliens, — naturalization.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 15) of Daniel C. Murphy that honorably discharged soldiers and sailors be relieved from past criminal records; and Soldiers and sailors, — past criminal records.

On the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 113) of Thomas A. Niland for the appointment of a commission to investigate and report remedies for the alleged inequality of rich and poor in the criminal courts; Criminal courts, — inequality of rich and poor.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 231) of Arthur F. Ray and others relative to the capital stock of business corporations; Business corporations, — capital stock.

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 831) of John C. Twomey and others for an amendment of the law permitting the use as common carriers of motor-vehicles not running on rails or tracks; Motor-vehicles, — common carriers.

Of the same committee, no legislation necessary, on so much of the abstract of the fifth annual report of the Public Service Commission (Pub. Doc. No. 14) as relates to street railway companies (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1140); and Public Service Commission, — street railway companies.

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 213) of John J. Mahoney that the property of veteran firemen's associations be exempted from taxation; Veteran firemen's associations, — tax exemptions.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

A Report of the committee on Agriculture, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1024), of Arthur E. Horton for legislation to establish a Massachusetts Drainage Board of Survey, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Administration and Commissions, — was read and accepted, in concurrence. Drainage Board of Survey.

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to each of the following House petitions; and, accordingly, under the said rule, they were severally referred to the next General Court, to wit: —

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1316) of Michael F. Shaw and another that Thomas W. Dowd be authorized to petition for reinstatement as a member of the police force of the city of Revere; and Revere, — reinstatement of Thomas W. Dowd.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1392) of Lewis R. Sullivan and another for the establishment of the office of State supervisor of prices of foods and rents. State supervisor of prices of foods and rents.

Boston, —
Jeremiah J.
Crowley.

House petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —
Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1393) of Francis B. McKinney that the city of Boston be authorized to pay a pension to Jeremiah J. Crowley;

Malden, —
pensioning of
Bartholomew
O'Brien.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1394) of the mayor of the city of Malden that said city be authorized to increase the pension paid to Bartholomew O'Brien; and

Revere, —
widow of
James Gibbons.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1395) of the mayor of the city of Revere and another that said city be authorized to pay an annuity to the widow of James Gibbons;

Severally, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, in each instance, to the committee on Cities.

Bay State
Street Rail-
way Company,
— rights and
privileges in
Boston.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1388) of the mayor of the city of Revere that the Bay State Street Railway Company be authorized to acquire the rights of the Boston Elevated Railway Company in East Boston and the East Boston tunnel and to discontinue the use of certain of its lines in the city of Boston;

Under a suspension of the 9th joint rule, to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

Estates of
soldiers and
sailors, — tax
exemption.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1397) of Charles F. Rowley that the estates of soldiers and sailors who die in service during the present war be exempt from legacy and succession taxes;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Taxation.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To provide for the pensioning of foremen employed by the city of Holyoke;

To authorize the county of Suffolk to pension Timothy R. Sullivan;

Relative to the property and purposes of the Episcopal City Mission;

To dispense with certain statements in the annual reports of savings banks;

To authorize the city of Medford to incur indebtedness for school purposes;

To define the status of certain employees of the police department of the city of Lowell; and

Relative to removing certain restrictions on the issue of water bonds by the city of Woburn.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The bills

To authorize the Insurance Commissioner to issue certificates Bills.
relative to the authority of licensees and companies (printed as
House, No. 369);

To prohibit unlicensed persons from advertising as insurance
agents, brokers or adjusters (printed as House, No. 382); and

Relative to the filing of schedules of real estate mortgages by
insurance companies (printed as House, No. 390);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third
reading.

The Bill to require insurance brokers to furnish surety bonds Insurance
brokers, —
surety bonds.
(printed as House, No. 370, changed), — was read a second
time. On motion of Mr. Winchester, the further consideration
thereof was postponed until the next session.

The Bill relative to the determination of sound value under Fire insurance
policies, —
determination
of sound value.
policies of fire insurance (printed as House, No. 371), — was
read a second time. On motion of Mr. McLane, the further
consideration thereof was postponed until the next session.

The House bills

Authorizing the town of Brookline to appropriate money for House
bills.
food conservation and for spreading knowledge of food values
(House, No. 77); and

Authorizing the town of Millville to borrow money for the
purpose of paying its debt to the town of Blackstone (House,
No. 658);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed,
in concurrence.

The Senate Resolve authorizing the purchase of a book con- Senate
resolve.
taining portraits and biographical sketches of members of the
General Court of 1919 (Senate, No. 322), — was read a third time
and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Report of the special committee appointed to pre- Senate
report.
pare rules for the government of the Senate (Senate, No. 328), —
was accepted.

The House Report of the committee on Election Laws, leave House
report.
to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No.
919) of John F. Cabeen and others relative to the holding of
primary elections for the nomination of candidates for municipal
offices in the city of Salem, — was accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Eames, at twenty-two minutes past three
o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day
at two o'clock P.M.

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Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

Boston, —
Hugh H.
McNerlin.

By Mr. Foley, for the committee on Cities, on the petition of Francis F. Morse, a Bill to authorize the city of Boston to retire and pension Hugh H. McNerlin (printed as House, No. 1031);

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Committee on
Fisheries and
Game, —
travel.

By Mr. McLane, for the joint committee on Rules, that the Senate Order that the committee on Fisheries and Game be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the cities of Worcester, Pittsfield and Springfield, on or before March 12, — ought to be adopted;

Read, and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Committee on
Municipal
Finance, —
travel.

By Mr. McLane, for the joint committee on Rules, that the Senate Order that the committee on Municipal Finance be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the city of Lowell, on or before March 5, — ought to be adopted, with an amendment striking out the words "city of Lowell," and inserting in place thereof the words "cities of Lowell and New Bedford."

Read, and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator, amended, as had been recommended by the joint committee on Rules, and, as amended, adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Committee on
Social Welfare,
— travel.

By Mr. McLane, for the joint committee on Rules, that the Senate Order that the committee on Social Welfare be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the cities of Lowell and Lawrence, on or before March 15, — ought to be adopted;

Read, and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Deposits, —
taking and
transmission.

By Mr. Sullivan, for the committee on Banks and Banking, that the recommitted Senate Bill relative to the taking and transmission of deposits by certain persons, partnerships, associations and corporations (printed as House, No. 360), — ought NOT to pass;

Read, and the bill placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on rejecting it.

By Mr. Walsh, for the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1055) of C. E. Kelly relative to the granting of licenses to aliens; and

Aliens, —
licenses.

By Mr. Smith, for the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 31) of M. F. O'Brien, president of the Federation of State, City and Town Employees' Unions, for an increase in the wages of employees of certain metropolitan boards and commissions;

Metropolitan
boards and
commissions, —
wages of
employees.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the Senate Bill to provide for the appointment in the county of Suffolk of trustees for county aid to agriculture (Senate, No. 297), — was taken from the table and considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Suffolk
County, —
trustees for
county aid to
agriculture.

Mr. Colburn moved that the bill be amended in section 1, by inserting after the word "years", in line 11, the words "One of said board shall always be the mayor or a member of said council."

Pending this amendment and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on further motion of Mr. Colburn.

Order.

Mr. Dahlborg offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Institutions be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough, the Rutland State Sanatorium at Rutland, the Prison Camp and Hospital at Rutland, the Industrial School for Girls at Lancaster, the Industrial School for Boys at Shirley, the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded at Waverley and the Leper Colony at Penikese Island, on or before March 25.

Committee on
Public
Institutions,
— travel.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

To authorize the town of Hull to pay a sum of money to Joseph E. Hannigan (House, No. 840, changed and amended, — on the petition of the selectmen of said town);

Hull, — Joseph
E. Hannigan.

Relative to the contents of the ballot at municipal elections in the city of Cambridge (House, No. 1200, on the petition of F. F. Clauss); and

Cambridge, —
ballots in
municipal
elections.

To require cities, towns and districts to notify the Director of the Bureau of Statistics of the authorization and issue of loans (House, No. 1387, — on the recommendations of said Director, House, No. 419, see House, No. 420);

Municipal
loans, —
notice to the
Director of the
Bureau of
Statistics.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Reports

- Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw:
- Elections, — public forums.** On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 584) of James H. Wilkins for the establishment of public forums in cities and towns;
- Elections, — questions of public policy.** On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 916) of the Association of Real Estate Owners of Fall River relative to submitting to the voters at municipal elections certain questions of public policy;
- Candidates for election, — information.** On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 917) of Benjamin C. Lane relative to the furnishing of additional information regarding candidates for elective offices; and
- Elections, — official campaign bulletin.** On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1203) of Charles H. Porter relative to sending voters information concerning referenda or questions submitted to the voters at a State election;
- Obstructions in streams, — canoe trails.** Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 931) of Bancroft L. Goodwin and another for legislation to require the construction of paths or trails for the carrying of boats or canoes around dams and other obstructions in navigable streams;
- Bread, — manufacture and sale.** Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw: On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 782) of James W. Hayes for an amendment of the law relative to the manufacture and sale of bread;
- Id.** On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1074) of Francis B. McKinney for legislation relative to the manufacture and sale of bread; and
- Explosives, — manufacture.** On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1072) of Thomas H. Green for further regulation of the manufacture of explosives;
- Of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court:
- Board of Registration in Pharmacy, — retail drug business.** On the recommendations of the Board of Registration in Pharmacy (House, No. 406) (accompanied by bill, House, No. 407); and
- Dealers in foods and beverages, — registration.** On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 505) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, for the registration of establishments for the production, manufacture, storage or distribution of food-stuffs or beverages;
- Of the same committee, leave to withdraw:
- Public halls, etc., — ventilation.** On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1102) of Francis B. McKinney that provision be made for the better ventilation of public halls and places of amusement; and
- Persons handling food, — examination.** On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1234) of Thomas H. Green that a physical examination of persons engaged in the preparation or serving of food be required;
- Public buildings and institutions, — inspection by legislators.** Of the committee on Public Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 32) of Thomas A. Niland that members of the General Court be authorized to enter and inspect public buildings and institutions at any time of day and night (Messrs. Cox and Murphy, of the House, dissenting);

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1107) of Robert E. Bigney relative to information required from veterans in examinations by the Civil Service Commission; and

Civil Service Commission,
— information
from veterans.

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1006) of Thomas H. Bates that street railway companies be required to disinfect or deodorize their cars; and

Street railway cars,
— disinfection.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1008) of Carlton W. Wonson for an appraisal by a special commission of the property of the Bay State Street Railway Company and for public assistance for said company;

Bay State Street Railway Company,
— appraisal
of property.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

A Report of the committee on Cities, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1191) of Charles H. Porter relative to the election of city councils by the method of proportional representation, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Election Laws, — was read and accepted, in concurrence.

City councils,
— proportional
representation.

Engrossed Bill Amended.

An engrossed Bill to authorize the city of Lawrence to pay an annuity to the widow of Thomas F. Doyle (which originated in the House) (see House, No. 738, changed), — came up, with an amendment in section 1, striking out, in lines 3 and 4 (as printed), the words, "who died of disease contracted in the performance of duty as", and inserting in place thereof the word "formerly".

Lawrence, —
widow of
Thomas F.
Doyle.

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Jackson, and the amendment was considered forthwith; and it was adopted, in concurrence, under a suspension of Senate Rule No. 49, further moved by the same Senator.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

Relative to the time for taking appeals in probate proceedings;
Relative to the retirement allowance of laborers employed by the city of Boston;

To establish the military rank of The Adjutant General;

Relative to the rank of Major James P. Clare, retired;

To revive the corporation known as The Aero Sales Company, Incorporated; and

To authorize the city of Brockton to make an additional surface drainage loan.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Norfolk
County, —
counsel fees.

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 151) of Arthur B. Hultman that the county of Norfolk be authorized to pay the counsel fees of the defendant in the case of D'Addario, administrator, versus Hultman, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of Mr. Perrin.

Insurance
brokers, —
surety bonds.

The bills

To require insurance brokers to furnish surety bonds (printed as House, No. 370, changed); and

Fire insurance
policies, —
determination
of sound value.

Relative to the determination of sound value under policies of fire insurance (printed as House, No. 371);

Were severally ordered to a third reading.

Bills.

The bills

Relative to county tuberculosis hospitals (Senate, No. 114);

To provide for the control of the European corn borer and other insect pests and plant diseases (Senate, No. 327);

Validating the locations granted by the town of Hingham for the electric lines of its electric light department (printed as House, No. 509); and

To authorize the city of Lynn to pay a sum of money to the widow of George N. Nichols (House, No. 1194, changed);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

County aid
to agriculture,
— county com-
missioners re-
quired on
boards of
trustees.

The Bill to require the membership of a county commissioner on boards of trustees for county aid to agriculture (Senate, No. 329), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday.

Opaque glass.

The Bill relative to the use of opaque glass in workshops and factories (Senate, No. 331), — was read a second time.

Mr. Perrin moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until the following Tuesday; and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Colburn, Arthur W.
Curtin, John A.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Jackson, George H.

Messrs. Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
Perrin, Harold L.
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 14.

NAYS.

Messrs. Callahan, Edward
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Walsh, John J. — 11.

YEAS.	PAIRED.	NAYS.
Mr. Malcolm E. Nichols (present),	Mr. John E. Beck.	
Mr. David S. McIntosh,	Mr. Edward N. Dahlborg (present).	
Mr. Francis Prescott (present),	Mr. George E. Curran.	
Mr. George D. Chamberlain,	Mr. James F. Cavanagh (present).	
Mr. George B. Churchill,	Mr. Charles A. Winchester (present).	
Mr. Clarence W. Hobbs, Jr.,	Mr. John Cronin (present). — 12.	

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. Charles D. Brown,

Mr. Joseph O. Knox. — 2.

So the motion that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until the following Tuesday prevailed.

The Bill relative to managers of municipal lighting (printed as House, No. 351), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Reed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday. Municipal lighting. — managers.

The Senate bills

Relative to the issue by the Insurance Commissioner of certificates for use in court (printed as House, No. 369) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); Senate bills.

To prohibit unlicensed persons from advertising as insurance agents, brokers or adjusters (printed as House, No. 382); and

Relative to the filing of schedules of real estate mortgages by insurance companies (printed as House, No. 390);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 196) of Peter F. Sullivan that provision be made for State aid in the erection by cities and towns of monuments or other memorials commemorating war service; Senate reports.

Of the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 70) of M. A. O'Brien, Jr., for the appointment of a committee to consider the question of erecting a public memorial to the soldiers and sailors who fought in the European war;

Of the committee on Public Lighting, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 242) of John F. Daly relative to the manufacture and sale of gas in the city of Cambridge;

Of the committee on Public Lighting, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 803) of George A. Lancaster for the appointment of a special commission to ascertain the value of all public and private gas plants and the probable cost to the Commonwealth of acquiring the same; and

Senate
report.

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1325) of Henry Achin, Jr., that cities and towns be authorized to exempt from taxation certain new building enterprises;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Cambridge
Gas Light
Company, —
price of gas.

The Senate Report of the committee on Public Lighting, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 273) of Edward A. Counihan, Jr., and another relative to the price of gas which may be charged by the Cambridge Gas Light Company, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Counihan.

Cambridge, —
primary
elections.

The House Report of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1039) of L. D. Fuller relative to primary elections in the city of Cambridge, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Counihan.

House
reports.

The House reports

Of the committee on Administration and Commissions, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 556) of the Massachusetts Forestry Association that arborists be registered;

Of the committee on Administration and Commissions, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 559) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for regulation of the occupation of barbering and for the creation of a board of examiners for the licensing of barbers;

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 745) of Alonzo P. Grinnell and others relative to State primary elections and to statements on ballots;

Of the committee on Federal Relations, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolutions, House, No. 1041) of Jerome A. Petitti and others for the passage of resolutions relative to the naturalization of aliens;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 15) of Daniel C. Murphy that honorably discharged soldiers and sailors be relieved from past criminal records;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 113) of Thomas A. Niland for the appointment of a commission to investigate and report remedies for the alleged inequality of rich and poor in the criminal courts;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 231) of Arthur F. Ray and others relative to the capital stock of business corporations;

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 831) of John C. Twomey and others for an amendment of the law permitting the use as common carriers of motor-vehicles not running on rails or tracks;

Of the committee on Street Railways, no legislation necessary, on so much of the abstract of the fifth annual report of the Public Service Commission (Pub. Doc. No. 14) as relates to street railway companies (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1140); and

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 213) of John J. Mahoney that the property of veteran firemen's associations be exempted from taxation;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Nichols, at thirteen minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

FRIDAY, February 28, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*Westfield
Camping
Club.

By Mr. Prescott, for the committee on Fisheries and Game, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 73) of S. S. Connor and others that the Westfield Camping Club be reimbursed for the construction of a fish screen;

Ralph S.
Bauer, —
reimbursement
for fish screen
in Lake
Attitash.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 144) of Ralph S. Bauer that he be reimbursed for money expended by him in constructing and maintaining a fish screen in Lake Attitash in the town of Amesbury;

Theatrical
licenses.

By Mr. Reed, for the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 624) of Philip J. Feinberg relative to theatrical licenses; and

Theatres, etc.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 772) of Frank W. Thayer for legislation relative to theatres and places of public amusement;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

*Reconsideration.*Unlicensed
persons ad-
vertising as
insurance
agents.

On motion of Mr. McLane, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had passed to be engrossed the Senate Bill to prohibit unlicensed persons from advertising as insurance agents, brokers or adjusters (printed as House, No. 382).

Pending the recurring question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was amended, on further motion of the same Senator, by inserting after the word "adjuster", in line 4, the words "or as being engaged in the insurance business,". The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Gas plants, —
value; prob-
able cost to
Common-
wealth.

On motion of Mr. Beck, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had accepted the Senate Report of the committee on Public Lighting, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 803) of George A. Lancaster for the appointment of a special commission to ascertain the value of all public and private gas

plants and the probable cost to the Commonwealth of acquiring the same.

Pending the recurring question on accepting the report, it was recommitted to the said committee, on further motion of the same Senator.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Loring, the Senate Report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 109) of Augustus P. Loring that business corporations be authorized to provide for representation of their employees on the board of directors, — was taken from the table and considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was recommitted to the said committee, on motion of Mr. Knox.

Business corporations, — employees on boards of directors.

Orders.

Mr. Jackson offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the city of Holyoke, on or before March 15.

Committee on Cities, — travel.

Mr. Reed offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the cities of Boston and Chelsea, on or before March 15.

Committee on Military Affairs, — travel.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill to authorize the town of Stoneham to fund and to refund certain indebtedness (House, No. 1405, — on the petition of Arthur N. Newhall, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1373), — was read. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Halliwell, and the bill was read a second time and a third time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Stoneham, — refunding of indebtedness.

Bills

To authorize the town of Stockbridge to exchange a parcel of its school lands for a like parcel adjacent thereto (House, No. 176, on the petition of the selectmen of said town);

Stockbridge, — exchange of school lands.

Relative to the nomination of candidates for office in the city of Chelsea (House, No. 918, on the petition of Melvin B. Breath); and

Chelsea, — nomination of candidates.

To authorize the Smith Mills Christian Church of Dartmouth to act as trustee of certain funds (House, No. 1226, changed, — on the petition of Perry J. Mosher, president, and others);

Smith Mills Christian Church of Dartmouth.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Resolutions urging Congress to pass certain legislation relative to aliens who claimed exemption from military service in the

Aliens who claimed exemption from

military
service.

present war (House, No. 1020), — were read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Reports

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioner):

Newton, —
police and fire
departments.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 740) of William L. Allen relative to appointments and removals in the police and fire departments of the city of Newton; and

Cambridge
police
department,
— Francis A.
McLaughlin.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 909) of Francis A. McLaughlin for determination of his rating as a member of the police department of the city of Cambridge;

Campaign
bulletin.

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 9) of Frederick T. Fuller for an official campaign bulletin of information relative to qualifications of candidates and to referendum measures (Mr. Sawyer, of the House, dissenting); and

Candidates for
State offices, —
renomination.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 915) of Cornelius F. Haley relative to the renomination of candidates for State offices;

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw:

Calves, —
weight of
carcasses
sold as food.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 798) of James W. Hayes for legislation relative to the weight of carcasses of calves offered for sale as food;

Boston, —
registration of
guests in
certain hotels.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1097) of Thomas G. Washburn that hotels in the city of Boston containing more than fifty rooms be exempt from the provisions of law relative to the licensing of innkeepers; and

Persons dying
outside the
Common-
wealth, —
cremation.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1236) of Timothy Leary relative to the cremation of the bodies of persons dying outside the limits of the Commonwealth; and

Patent and
proprietary
medicines, —
sale.

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 971) of John J. Tobin and another for an amendment of the law relative to the sale of certain patent and proprietary medicines;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

State
employees, —
schedule
bonds.

A Report of the committee on Public Service, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 986) of B. L. Young for the repeal of the act relative to schedule bonds required for certain officials and employees of the Commonwealth, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Ways and Means, — was read and accepted, in concurrence, in so much as relates to the discharge of the committee on Public Service.

Motor-vehicles,
— liability of
owners for
accidents; law
of the road.

A Report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 696) of William I. Schell that the Massachusetts Highway Commission refuse registration unless owners of motor-vehicles file certificates of insurance for personal liability or property damages; of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1248) of Daniel J. Gillen relative to the filing of

bonds with the Massachusetts Highway Commission before registration is granted to owners of motor-vehicles; of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1250) of Arthur K. Reading relative to personal liability insurance by owners of motor-vehicles; and of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1251) of Leland Powers relative to the law of the road, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary, — was read and accepted, in concurrence.

A message from the Governor submitting a bill giving preference to veterans under the civil service laws and regulations (House, No. 1404), — was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.

Message from the Governor, — preference to veterans under the civil service.

A report of the special commission (the Director of the Massachusetts Bureau of Prisons, the chairman of the Advisory Prison Board, the chairman of the Commission on Mental Diseases, the secretary of the State Board of Charity, the superintendent of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded and the Supervisor of Administration) which was directed to consider all matters relative to the control, custody and treatment of defective delinquents, feeble-minded persons, persons suffering from excessive use of alcohol or drugs, criminals and misdemeanants (House, No. 1403), — was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Institutions.

Defective delinquents, feeble-minded persons, inebriates, drug users, criminals and misdemeanants.

Emergency Preambles Adopted.

An engrossed Bill to authorize the granting of special licenses as hawkers and pedlers to disabled veterans of the present war (see House, No. 1355), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

Disabled soldiers and sailors, — licenses as hawkers and pedlers.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Cronin, John
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.

Messrs. Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 29.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Curran, George E.

Messrs. Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
McIntosh, David S.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 10.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

State depart-
ments, — ex-
penditures in
advance of ap-
propriations.

An engrossed Bill relative to expenditures by heads of departments and other officials of the Commonwealth in advance of appropriations (see House, No. 1360), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was taken by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Cronin, John
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.

Messrs. Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
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Hardy, Leonard F.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
McIntosh, David S.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 10.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

Authorizing the city of Holyoke to pay a sum of money to the widow of Thomas Monahan;

Authorizing the city of Holyoke to pay a sum of money to the next of kin of Dennis Sullivan;

Relative to the payment of insurance premiums to agents or brokers; and

Directing the Secretary of the Commonwealth to furnish certain books and documents to the town of Chatham.

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

An engrossed Resolve to provide for an investigation by the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board as to the practicability of utilizing the water-power of the metropolitan water supply (which originated in the House), — was passed and, with the above-named bills, was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Resolve
passed, etc.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Bill relative to the taking and transmission of deposits by certain persons, partnerships, associations and corporations (printed as House, No. 360), — was rejected, as had been recommended by the committee on Banks and Banking.

Deposits, —
taking and
transmission.

The bills

To authorize the city of Boston to retire and pension Hugh H. McNerlin (printed as House, No. 1031);

To authorize the town of Hull to pay a sum of money to Joseph E. Hannigan (House, No. 840, changed and amended);

Relative to the contents of the ballot at municipal elections in the city of Cambridge (House, No. 1200); and

To require cities, towns and districts to notify the Director of the Bureau of Statistics of the authorization and issue of loans (House, No. 1387);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill relative to county tuberculosis hospitals (Senate, No. 114), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out sections 1 and 2, and inserting in place thereof the following: "SECTION 1. The time within which the new construction, additions or alterations of buildings for the purpose of making provision for persons suffering from consumption shall be completed in accordance with the last sentence of section one of chapter two hundred and eighty-six of the General Acts of 1916, as amended by section one of chapter one hundred and eighty-seven of the General Acts of nineteen hundred and eighteen, is hereby extended to the first day of September, nineteen hundred and twenty-one, and the time within which a contract may be entered into which shall meet the requirements of section two of said chapter two hundred and eighty-six, as amended by chapter two hundred and fifty-one of the General Acts of nineteen hundred and seventeen and by section two of said chapter one hundred and eighty-seven, is hereby extended to the first day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty-one."

County
tuberculosis
hospitals.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill, as amended (Senate, No. 335), was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill relative to the registration of voters in the city of Gloucester (Senate, No. 254), — was read a third time.

Gloucester, —
registration
of voters.

Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 332).

This amendment was adopted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 332), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

European
corn borer.

The Senate Bill to provide for the control of the European corn borer and other insect pests and plant diseases (Senate, No. 327), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 1, by striking out, in line 2, the words "or the director of the division of plant industry."

This amendment was adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Senate bills.

The Senate bills

Relative to the determination of sound value under policies of fire insurance (printed as House, No. 371); and

Validating the locations granted by the town of Hingham for the lines of its electric light department (printed as House, No. 509) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

House bill.

The House Bill to authorize the city of Lynn to pay a sum of money to the widow of George N. Nichols (House, No. 1194, changed), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Senate reports.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1055) of C. E. Kelly relative to the granting of licenses to aliens; and

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 31) of M. F. O'Brien, president of the Federation of State, City and Town Employees' Unions, for an increase in the wages of employees of certain metropolitan boards and commissions;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Board of
Registration
in Pharmacy.

The House Report of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on the recommendations of the Board of Registration in Pharmacy (House, No. 406) (accompanied by bill, House, No. 407), — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Cavanagh.

The House reports

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 584) of James H. Wilkins for the establishment of public forums in cities and towns; House reports.

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 916) of the Association of Real Estate Owners of Fall River relative to submitting to the voters at municipal elections certain questions of public policy;

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 917) of Benjamin C. Lane relative to the furnishing of additional information regarding candidates for elective offices;

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1203) of Charles H. Porter relative to sending voters information concerning referenda or questions submitted to the voters at a State election;

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 931) of Bancroft L. Goodwin and another for legislation to require the construction of paths or trails for the carrying of boats or canoes around dams and other obstructions in navigable streams;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 782) of James W. Hayes for an amendment of the law relative to the manufacture and sale of bread;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1072) of Thomas H. Green for further regulation of the manufacture of explosives;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1074) of Francis B. McKinney for legislation relative to the manufacture and sale of bread;

Of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 505) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, for the registration of establishments for the production, manufacture, storage or distribution of food stuffs or beverages;

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1102) of Francis B. McKinney that provision be made for the better ventilation of public halls and places of amusement;

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1234) of Thomas H. Green that a physical examination of persons engaged in the preparation or serving of food be required;

Of the committee on Public Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 32) of Thomas A. Niland that members of the General Court be authorized to enter and inspect public buildings and institutions at any time of day and night;

House reports.

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1107) of Robert E. Bigney relative to information required from veterans in examinations by the Civil Service Commission;

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1006) of Thomas H. Bates that street railway companies be required to disinfect or deodorize their cars; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1008) of Carlton W. Wonson for an appraisal by a special commission of the property of the Bay State Street Railway Company and for public assistance for said company;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Eames, at seven minutes before twelve o'clock A.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, March 3, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of a Committee.

By Mr. Weston, for the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 209) of George D. Chamberlain that provision be made for pensions for janitors of school-houses and public buildings (Mr. Colburn, of the Senate, dissenting); and

Janitors of
school-houses,
— pensions.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 90) of Joseph E. Freeling relative to the retirement of janitors of public school buildings in certain cities and towns (Mr. Colburn, of the Senate, dissenting);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Report.

A Report of the Board of Education on the educational needs of returned and returning soldiers, sailors and marines, — was received; and, on motions of Mr. McLane, the report was laid on the table and ordered to be printed (Senate, No. 333).

Board of
Education, —
report on
educational
needs of sol-
diers, sailors
and marines.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Relative to the duties of members of boards of health acting as inspectors of slaughtering (House, No. 1149, — on the recommendations of the State Department of Health, House, No. 1145, in part); and

Inspectors of
slaughtering.

Relative to the cold storage of articles of food (House, No. 1150, — on the recommendations of the State Department of Health, House, No. 1145, in part);

Food prod-
ucts, — cold
storage.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Reports

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 261) of Edward A. Counihan, Jr., that sittings of the probate court in the town of Framingham be abolished;

Middlesex
County, —
probate court
sittings in
Framingham.

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 273) of Ira H. Ellis and others for the payment of a sum of money by the Commonwealth to the estate of the late Joseph Hanreddy; and

Estate of
Joseph
Hanreddy.

Maria J. Mutch, —
care of Charles F. Geer.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 794) of Maria J. Mutch for compensation for the care of the late Charles F. Geer who was injured while in the employ of the Metropolitan Park Commission; and

Venereal diseases, —
State hospital.

Of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 157) of Joseph P. Walsh that a hospital be established for the treatment of venereal diseases;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

The following House order was considered; and, at the request of Mr. Winchester, the further consideration thereof was laid over until the next session, to wit: —

Supervisor of Administration, — department of the Civil Service Commission.

Ordered, That the Supervisor of Administration be directed to investigate the conduct, methods and practices of the department of the Civil Service Commission, and to report to the present session of the General Court his conclusions and recommendations, on or before the fifteenth day of April.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the House) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

Authorizing the town of Millville to borrow money for the purpose of paying its debt to the town of Blackstone;

Authorizing the town of Brookline to appropriate money for food conservation and for spreading knowledge of food values; and

To authorize the town of Stoneham to fund and to refund certain indebtedness.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Norfolk County, —
counsel fees.

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 151) of Arthur B. Hultman that the county of Norfolk be authorized to pay the counsel fees of the defendant in the case of D'Addario, administrator, versus Hultman, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, it was recommitted to the said committee on motion of Mr. McIntosh.

Sent down for concurrence in the recommitment.

Gloucester, —
registration of voters.

The Senate Bill relative to the registration of voters in the city of Gloucester (Senate, No. 332), — was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Board of Registration in Pharmacy.

The House Report of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on the recommendations of the Board of Registration in Pharmacy (House, No. 406) (accompanied by bill, House, No. 407), — was accepted, in concurrence.

The bills

To authorize the town of Stockbridge to exchange a parcel of Bills. its school lands for a like parcel adjacent thereto (House, No. 176);

Relative to the nomination of candidates for office in the city of Chelsea (House, No. 918); and

To authorize the Smith Mills Christian Church of Dartmouth to act as trustee of certain funds (House, No. 1226, changed);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The House Resolutions relative to aliens who avoided military service in the present war (House, No. 1020) (the title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — were adopted, in concurrence. Aliens who claimed exemption from military service.

The resolutions were as follows:

"Whereas, Certain aliens, not being alien enemies, resident in this country, claimed exemption from military service in the army of the United States during the present war by reason of alienage, or failed to respond to the call for military or naval service from their respective countries; therefore be it

"Resolved, That The General Court of Massachusetts urges upon the Congress of the United States the passage of such legislation as will prevent the aliens aforesaid from hereafter becoming citizens, and also the passage of legislation to prevent the return to this country of any such aliens who hereafter leave the United States; and be it further

"Resolved, That copies of these resolutions be sent by the Secretary of the Commonwealth to the President of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the National House of Representatives, and to the Senators and Representatives in Congress from this Commonwealth."

The Senate Bill to authorize the city of Boston to retire and pension Hugh H. McNerlin (printed as House, No. 1031), — Senate bill. was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill relative to the contents of the ballot at municipal elections in the city of Cambridge (House, No. 1200), — Cambridge, — contents of ballot. was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following: "Upon the ballot used at municipal elections in the city of Cambridge, no descriptive matter relating to a candidate for the city council, other than his name and residence, shall appear, notwithstanding section two hundred and fifty-eight of chapter eight hundred and thirty-five of the Acts of nineteen hundred and thirteen, and amendments thereof, or any other provision of law."

This amendment was adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

The House bills**House bills.**

To authorize the town of Hull to pay a sum of money to Joseph E. Hannigan (House, No. 840, changed and amended); and

To require cities, towns and districts to notify the Director of the Bureau of Statistics of the authorization and issue of loans (House, No. 1387);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

**Westfield
Camping
Club.**

The Senate Report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 73) of S. S. Connor and others that the Westfield Camping Club be reimbursed for the construction of a fish screen, — was considered, the question being on accepting it.

On motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, by a vote of 12 to 5, the report was amended by substituting a "Resolve to reimburse the Westfield Camping Club for the construction of a fish screen" (Senate, No. 73); and the resolve was read and, under the rule, was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

**Ralph S.
Bauer, —
reimbursement
for fish screen
in Lake
Attitash.**

The Senate Report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 144) of Ralph S. Bauer that he be reimbursed for money expended by him in constructing and maintaining a fish screen in Lake Attitash in the town of Amesbury, — was considered, the question being on accepting it.

On motion of Mr. Brown, the report was amended by substituting a "Resolve reimbursing Ralph S. Bauer for money expended in installing a screen at Lake Attitash, Amesbury" (Senate, No. 144); and the resolve was read and, under the rule, was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

**Theatrical
licenses.**

The Senate Report of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 624) of Philip J. Feinberg relative to theatrical licenses, — was considered, the question being on accepting it.

Mr. Knox moved that the report be laid on the table; and this motion was negatived, by a vote of 8 to 10.

On motion of Mr. McLane, the further consideration of the report was postponed until the following Thursday.

Theatres, etc.

The Senate Report of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 772) of Frank W. Thayer for legislation relative to theatres and places of public amusement, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of Mr. Reed.

**Calves, —
weight of
carcasses
sold as food.**

The House Report of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 798) of James W. Hayes for legislation relative to the weight of carcasses of calves offered for sale as food, — was considered;

and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of Mr. Beck.

The House reports

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 740) of William L. Allen relative to appointments and removals in the police and fire departments of the city of Newton;

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 909) of Francis A. McLaughlin for determination of his rating as a member of the police department of the city of Cambridge;

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 9) of Frederick T. Fuller for an official campaign bulletin of information relative to qualifications of candidates and to referendum measures;

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 915) of Cornelius F. Haley relative to the renomination of candidates for State offices;

Of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 971) of John J. Tobin and another for an amendment of the law relative to the sale of certain patent and proprietary medicines;

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1097) of Thomas G. Washburn that hotels in the city of Boston containing more than fifty rooms be exempt from the provisions of law relative to the licensing of innkeepers; and

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1236) of Timothy Leary relative to the cremation of the bodies of persons dying outside the limits of the Commonwealth;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, at six minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, March 4, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*Articles manu-
factured by
prisoners.

By Mr. Dahlborg, for the committee on Public Institutions, on the recommendations of the Massachusetts Bureau of Prisons (House, No. 1165) (in part), a Bill relative to the use by public institutions in cities of articles manufactured by the labor of prisoners (printed as House, No. 1173);

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Hospital for
voluntary
mental
patients.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 211) of George H. Garfield relative to the establishment by the Commission on Mental Diseases of a hospital for certain voluntary mental patients;

Belchertown, —
school for the
feeble-minded.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 667) of Roland D. Sawyer for an appropriation for the purchase of additional land in the town of Belchertown for the proposed school for the feeble-minded;

Prisoners, —
transfer.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 665) of William J. Bullock and others relative to the transfer of prisoners from jails and houses of correction (Messrs. Larocque, Kelley, Mellen, Briggs and Murphy, of the House, dissenting);

Worcester
State Hospital,
— sprinkler
system of fire
protection.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1375) of Michael F. Malone for the establishment of a sprinkler system of fire protection at the Worcester State Hospital;

Camp Devens,
— home for
State institu-
tions.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by order, House, No. 48) of Roland D. Sawyer for an investigation by the committee on Public Institutions of the desirability and possibility of the Commonwealth securing the Camp Devens cantonment in Ayer as a home for State institutions;

Street rail-
ways, — finan-
cing and
operation.

By Mr. Perrin, for the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 168) of Silas D. Reed for an investigation and alleviation of the present crisis in the financing, management and operation of the street railways;

Cambridge
subway, —
cost of
construction.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 277) of Edward A. Counihan, Jr., that the Public Service Commission

be directed to inquire into the cost of construction of the Cambridge subway;

By Mr. Beck, for the committee on Waterways and Terminals, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 845) of D. F. Reardon for an investigation by the Public Service Commission as to the feasibility of using the elevated structure in Atlantic Avenue in the city of Boston for carrying railroad equipment; and

Boston, — use of Atlantic Avenue elevated structure for carrying freight.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 846) of D. F. Reardon for an investigation by the Public Service Commission as to delays in handling freight in the city of Boston;

Boston, — delays in handling freight.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the day for the next session.

By Mr. Eames, for the joint committee on Rules, that the Senate Order that the committee on Towns be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the towns of Salisbury, Westport and West Stockbridge on or before March 15, — ought to be adopted;

Committee on Towns, — travel.

Read, and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McLane, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Kearney, the House Bill making an appropriation for aiding returned soldiers, sailors and marines in finding employment (House, No. 1331), — was taken from the table and considered, the question being on the motion of the same Senator that the Senate insist on its amendment in section 1, — striking out at the end thereof the words "subject to the approval of the Council", and inserting in place thereof the words "by a commission of three persons, one of whom shall be the Director of the Bureau of Statistics, a second a returned soldier, sailor or marine, to be appointed by the Governor, and a third a representative of labor, also to be appointed by the Governor." (in which amendment the House had non-concurred).

Appropriation, — aiding soldiers, sailors and marines in finding employment.

The Senate insisted on its amendment.

On motion of Mr. Kearney, the Senate asked for a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches.

Committee of conference.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill relative to the election of certain trustees of Tufts College (House, No. 578, changed, — on the petition of Robert W. Hill and another), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Trustees of Tufts College, — membership.

The Senate Report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 153) of David R. Radovsky relative to licensing and regulat-

Motor-vehicles, — licensing by local authorities.

ing the operation of motor-vehicles, — came up, recommitted to the said committee.

The Senate non-concurred in the recommittal; and the report was sent down endorsed accordingly.

Reports

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw:

City clerks,
— election.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 188) of James W. Hayes relative to the election of city clerks in certain cities; and

Cambridge, —
certain
contracts.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 216) of J. Frank O'Brien that the city of Cambridge be authorized to make certain contracts for a longer term than one year;

Killing of
foxes, —
bounties.

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw:
On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 255) of Frank Mulveny that a bounty be provided for the killing of foxes; and

Dukes County,
— fishing in
great ponds.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 469) of R. W. Crocker relative to the taking of eels and fish from great ponds in the county of Dukes County;

Fresh waters,
— fishing with
floats.

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw (for the reason that the proposition is covered by existing law), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 749) of Matthew A. Higgins that fishing with floats be prohibited or restricted;

Aliens, —
practice of
professions.

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 119) of Martin Hays relative to restricting the practice of professions by aliens;

Sale of intoxi-
cating liquors,
— licenses.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 267) of The Dorchester Board of Trade for further regulation of the issuance of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors; and

Sale of intoxi-
cating liquors,
— part-year
licenses.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1064) of James T. Purcell for the issuance of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors for proportionate periods of the license year; and

State employ-
ees, — increases
in salaries and
pensions.

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 983) of James E. Odlin for the suspension of all increases in salaries and pensions of persons in the service of the Commonwealth;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Boston transit
department, —
elevated rail-
way station
near Charles
and Leverett
streets.

Notice was received from the House that the order requesting the transit department of the city of Boston to report as to the necessity or advisability of providing for an elevated railway station at or near the corner of Charles and Leverett streets in said city, had been rejected by the House; also

Representative
Lawrence F.
Dowd of
Holyoke, —
appointment
on committee.

That Mr. Lawrence F. Dowd of Holyoke had qualified as a member of the House from the Tenth Hampden Representative District, to fill a vacancy; and that he had been appointed to membership on the committee on Agriculture.

Legislative
committees, —
travelling
expenses.

A communication from the Sergeant-at-Arms, transmitting a statement (required by the 3rd joint rule) of all bills presented

to the Auditor of the Commonwealth during the months of January and February for the travelling expenses of committees of the General Court (House, No. 1415), — was read and placed on file.

Special and supplementary reports were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

Special report of the Supervisor of Administration recommending the establishment of a department of insurance, banking and accounting, a department of institutions and a department of public safety (House, No. 1414);

Supervisor of Administration, — departments of insurance, banking and accounting, of institutions and of public safety.

To the committee on Administration and Commissions.

Supplementary report of the Board of Education submitting its recommendations relative to the petitions of Harry Seymour Ross and others and Henry Lawrence Southwick and others that the Emerson College of Oratory be authorized to grant degrees (House, No. 1416);

Emerson College of Oratory, — degrees.

Supplementary report of the Board of Education submitting its recommendations relative to the petition of Jason Noble Pierce and others that the Board of Trustees of Gordon Bible College be authorized to grant certain degrees (House, No. 1417); and

Gordon Bible College, — degrees.

Special report of the Board of Education submitting its recommendations relative to the petition of Arthur W. MacLean and others for the incorporation of the Portia Law School with authority to grant degrees (House, No. 1418);

Portia Law School, — degrees.

Severally to the committee on Education.

The following House order was adopted, in concurrence:

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary be authorized to travel, in the discharge of their duties, within the city of Boston, on or before Thursday, March 6.

Joint committee on the Judiciary, — travel.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

To revive the corporation known as the United Marble Companies;

Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

Relative to the pensioning of laborers in the employ of cities and towns;

To authorize the city of Lawrence to pay an annuity to the widow of Thomas F. Doyle;

To authorize the granting of special licenses as hawkers and pedlers to disabled veterans of the present war; and

Relative to expenditures by heads of departments and other officials of the Commonwealth in advance of appropriations.

Order Laid Over.

The following House order, the consideration of which had been postponed from the preceding session, at the request of Mr. Winchester, was considered, to wit: —

Supervisor of
Administration,
— department
of the Civil
Service Com-
mission.

Ordered, That the Supervisor of Administration be directed to investigate the conduct, methods and practices of the department of the Civil Service Commission, and to report to the present session of the General Court his conclusions and recommendations, on or before the fifteenth day of April.

On motion of Mr. Counihan, the further consideration of the order was postponed until the following Tuesday.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Suffolk
County, —
trustees for
county aid to
agriculture.

The Senate Bill to provide for the appointment in the county of Suffolk of trustees for county aid to agriculture (Senate, No. 297), — was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The Senate adopted the pending amendment in section 1, previously moved by Mr. Colburn, — inserting after the word "years", in line 11, the words "One of said board shall always be the mayor or a member of said council."

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

County aid
to agriculture,
— county com-
missioners re-
quired on
boards of
trustees.
Opaque glass.

The Bill to require the membership of a county commissioner on boards of trustees for county aid to agriculture (Senate, No. 329), — was ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill relative to the use of opaque glass in workshops and factories (Senate, No. 331), — was considered; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was recommitted to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on motion of Mr. Halliwell.

Municipal
lighting, —
managers.

The Bill relative to managers of municipal lighting (printed as House, No. 351), — was considered; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Reed.

Bills.

The bills

Relative to the duties of members of boards of health acting as inspectors of slaughtering (House, No. 1149); and

Relative to the cold storage of articles of food (House, No. 1150);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Armenian
independence.

The Senate Resolutions in favor of Armenian independence (Senate, No. 43) (the title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — were considered, the question being on adopting them. Mr. Counihan, for the com-

mittee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the resolutions be amended by adding at the end thereof the following: — and be it further

Resolved, That copies of these resolutions be sent by the Secretary of the Commonwealth to the President and to the Vice President of the United States and to the Senators in Congress from Massachusetts.

This amendment was adopted.

The resolutions, as amended, were then adopted, as follows:

Resolved, That it is the sense of the General Court of Massachusetts that the people of Armenia, by their resolute and faithful maintenance of Christianity and civilization through long centuries of unspeakable oppression by the barbarous Turk, by their capacity for business and administration, well proven and demonstrated in their own and many other lands, and by their heroic conduct and great voluntary sacrifices in the present war, have shown that they are worthy and fit to be restored as an independent nation; and that we do therefore earnestly request and urge that prompt and favorable action be taken on the resolution (S. 378) introduced in the Senate of the United States by Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, on December tenth, nineteen hundred and eighteen, and referred to the committee on Foreign Relations, — declaring that in the opinion of the Senate of the United States Armenia ought to be independent, and expressing the hope of the Senate that the peace conference will make arrangements for helping Armenia to establish an independent republic; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of these resolutions be sent by the Secretary of the Commonwealth to the President and to the Vice President of the United States and to the Senators in Congress from Massachusetts."

Sent down for concurrence.

The House bills

To authorize the town of Stockbridge to exchange a parcel of its school lands for a like parcel adjacent thereto (House, No. 176); and

Relative to the nomination of candidates for office in the city of Chelsea (House, No. 918);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate Report of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 209) of George D. Chamberlain that provision be made for pensions for janitors of school-houses and public buildings, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Chamberlain.

Janitors of
school-houses,
— pensions.

The Senate Report of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 90) of Joseph E. Freeling relative to the retirement of janitors of public school buildings in certain cities and towns, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Weston.

The House reports

House reports.

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 261) of Edward A. Counihan, Jr., that sittings of the probate court in the town of Framingham be abolished;

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 273) of Ira H. Ellis and others for the payment of a sum of money by the Commonwealth to the estate of the late Joseph Hanreddy;

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 794) of Maria J. Mutch for compensation for the care of the late Charles F. Geer who was injured while in the employ of the Metropolitan Park Commission; and

Of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 157) of Joseph P. Walsh that a hospital be established for the treatment of venereal diseases;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Foley, at twenty minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, March 5, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Brown, for the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on the petition of Silas D. Reed (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 294), a Resolve further to extend the time for the improvement of a certain part of the Taunton River (Senate, No. 338);

Taunton River, — improvement.

By Mr. Halliwell, for the committee on Municipal Finance, on the petitions of Francis Prescott (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 11); of David S. McIntosh and another (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 112); of Charles Symonds (accompanied by bill, House, No. 30); and of Jeremiah P. Keating (accompanied by bill, House, No. 498), a Bill to authorize cities and towns to raise and appropriate money for memorials to soldiers and sailors (Senate, No. 339);

Municipal memorials to soldiers and sailors.

By Mr. Eames, for the committee on Roads and Bridges, on the petition of Jerome R. George (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 15), a Bill relative to the operation of motor-vehicles (Senate, No. 340);

Motor-vehicles, — operation.

By Mr. Kearney, for the committee on Social Welfare, on the petition of William H. McDonnell (accompanied by bill, House, No. 824), a Bill to establish the annuity payable to the widows and children of certain deceased policemen and firemen (Senate, No. 341); and

Deceased policemen and firemen, — annuities to widows and children.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petitions of Edward A. Moore (accompanied by bill, House, No. 533); and of Robert T. Fowler (accompanied by bill, House, No. 822), a Bill relative to the retirement of school janitors and attendance officers in the city of Boston (printed as House, No. 533, — changed by the committee, in section 2, by striking out the word "passage", and inserting in place thereof the words "acceptance by the mayor and city council of said city, on or before December thirty-first of the current year");

Boston, — retirement of school janitors and attendance officers.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Brown, for the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reference to the next General Court, on the special report of the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands relative to acquiring land in the town of Gay Head for a State reservation (see House, No. 1643 of 1917);

Gay Head, — State reservation.

By Mr. Loring, for the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 259) of George A. Burnes that common carriers be liable for

Common carriers, — liability for loss of merchandise.

Penal and
civil codes
of procedure.

larceny of merchandise and for failure to pay over money collected on merchandise; and

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1213) of Robert W. Renfrew and another for the establishment of penal and civil codes of procedure;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Petitions.

Veterans, —
exemption
from payment
of fees as
insurance
agents.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows:

By Mr. Beck, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 336) of John E. Beck for an extension of the exemption of veterans from the payment of fees or licenses as insurance agents or brokers;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by the same Senator, to the committee on Insurance.

Cinematograph, —
operation.

By Mr. Hobbs, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 337) of Francis H. Lincoln and another relative to the operation of the cinematograph or any similar apparatus;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by the same Senator, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Order.

Committee on
Metropolitan
Affairs, —
travel.

Mr. Smith offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit:—

Ordered, That the committee on Metropolitan Affairs be authorized to travel, in the discharge of its duties, in the metropolitan district, on or before March 20th.

Order Adopted.

State printing.

Mr. Beck offered the following order, to wit:—

Ordered, That the Supervisor of Administration be directed to inquire into the unusual delay now being experienced in the printing of bills and other documents pending in the General Court, and to report to the Senate, with such recommendations as may seem advisable, on or before March 15.

Senate Rule No. 13A was suspended, on motion of the same Senator, and the order was considered forthwith and was adopted.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Appropriations, — State
budget.

A Bill making appropriations for the maintenance of departments, boards, commissions, institutions and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements (House, No. 1413), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills

Relative to the tenure of office of the clerk of the city of Medford (House, No. 53, changed, — on the petition of Fred J. Burrell);

Medford, —
tenure of
office of
city clerk.

To authorize the city of Everett to pay a pension to Lindley R. Woods (House, No. 459, on the petition of William E. Weeks and another);

Everett, —
pension to
Lindley R.
Woods.

To establish a close season for the hunting or killing of raccoons (House, No. 591, on the petition of Claude E. Hume and another); and

Raccoons, —
close season.

Revoking certain rights of Alexander K. Crocker to take alewives from Mill River in the town of Sandwich (House, No. 885, — on the recommendations of the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game, House, No. 873, in part);

Mill River in
Sandwich, —
alewives.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

A Bill to suspend the civil service laws and regulations in favor of returning soldiers and sailors (House, No. 1406, — new draft of Senate Bill No. 310), — came up, referred to the committees on Reconstruction and Public Service, sitting jointly; and the Senate concurred therein.

Soldiers and
sailors, —
suspension of
civil service
laws.

Reports

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 217) of A. L. Moriarty that laborers, mechanics and workmen in the city of Newton may have Saturday half-holidays without loss of pay;

Newton, —
Saturday
half-holidays
for employees.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 742) of Fred J. Burrell that cities and towns be required to furnish members of their police and fire departments with uniforms;

Policemen
and firemen,
— uniforms.

On the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1029) of John B. Cashman relative to an investigation by the Public Service Commission as to the advisability of constructing a municipal building in the East Boston district of the city of Boston;

East Boston,
— municipal
building.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1033) of Lucian D. Fuller that the license commissioner of the city of Cambridge be authorized to grant licenses and permits;

Cambridge, —
licenses and
permits.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1190) of F. F. Clauss relative to the removal of heads of departments and members of commissions and executive boards in cities under the Plan B charter, so called; and

City charters,
— removal
of heads of
departments.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1192) of Thomas A. Niland that the city of Boston be authorized to reinstate Frank L. Turner in the cemetery department of said city;

Boston, —
reinstatement
of Frank L.
Turner.

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 4) of M. F. O'Brien, for the Federation of State, City and Town Employees' Unions, relative to vacations for municipal employees;

Municipal
employees, —
vacations.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 136) of Louis Swig that authority for the appointment of a local super-

Taunton park
commission-
ers, — local

moth super-
intendent.

intendent for the suppression of gypsy and brown tail moths be vested in the park commissioners of the city of Taunton;

Marlborough,
— salary of
mayor.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1035) of John H. Baker for an amendment to the charter of the city of Marlborough relative to the salary of the mayor of said city; and

Marlborough,
— inaugura-
tion of the city
government.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1036) of John H. Baker for legislation to amend the charter of the city of Marlborough in respect to the inauguration of the members of the city government;

Eight-hour
law — "extra-
ordinary
emergency."

Of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 162) of Frank F. Morse for an amendment of the eight-hour law, so called, limiting the meaning of the words "extraordinary emergency";

Lincoln Day,
— legal holiday.

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 22) of M. A. O'Brien, Jr., that the twelfth day of February be made a legal holiday to be known as Lincoln Day;

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw:

Failure to heat
buildings, —
penalty.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 262) of Joseph S. Donnelly that a penalty be provided for failure to furnish heat in buildings occupied as homes or for business purposes;

Federal elec-
tion day, —
legal holiday.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 24) of Charles A. Kelley that Federal election day be made a legal holiday in this Commonwealth; and

Certain
holidays, —
observance on
Mondays.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 66) of William Cushing Wait that certain holidays be observed on Monday of the week in which they occur;

Westborough,
— clearing of
certain ditches.

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 489) of Jeremiah P. Keating for the clearing out by the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board of certain ditches in the town of Westborough;

Of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court:

Small towns,
— public
nurses.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 84) of Roland D. Sawyer that provision be made for public nurses in small towns; and

Pharmacists,
— sale of
intoxicating
liquors.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 972) of John J. Tobin and another for an amendment of the law relative to the sale of intoxicating liquors by registered pharmacists; and

Hotels and
lodging-houses,
— regulation.

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1098) of John I. Fitzgerald for the repeal of the law relative to the licensing, inspection and regulation of hotels and private lodging-houses;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to each of the following House petitions; and, accordingly, under the said rule, they were severally referred to the next General Court, to wit: —

Widow of
Robert Herter.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1409) of Leland Powers that the county of Suffolk be authorized to pay an

annuity to the widow of Robert Herter, late messenger of the Supreme Judicial Court;

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1410) of John B. Cashman that the officers and employees of the Suffolk School for Boys be placed under the civil service; and

Suffolk School for Boys, — civil service for employees.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1412) of Leland Powers that an annuity be paid the widow of Robert Herter, late messenger of the Supreme Judicial Court.

Widow of Robert Herter.

House petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1318) of Edward A. Scigliano relative to the use of tanks or containers for the storage of fluids or gases;

Fluids and gases, — storage in tanks.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1291) of Vincent Brogna relative to the manufacture and storage of illuminating gas in the city of Boston;

Boston, — storage of gas.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Public Lighting.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1411) of the trustees of the Malden Public Library for authority to hold additional real and personal property;

Malden Public Library, — additional property.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on State House and Libraries.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Authorizing the city of Holyoke to pay a sum of money to the widow of John Nugent;

Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

Authorizing the city of Holyoke to pay a sum of money to the mother of James Walsh;

Relative to nomination papers in the city of Holyoke; and

To authorize the city of Lynn to pay a sum of money to the widow of George N. Nichols.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Bill relative to the use by public institutions in cities of articles manufactured by the labor of prisoners (printed as House, No. 1173), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Perrin, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday.

Articles manufactured by prisoners.

The Bill relative to the election of certain trustees of Tufts College (House, No. 578, changed), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bill.

Senate bill.

The Senate Bill to require the membership of a county commissioner on boards of trustees for county aid to agriculture (Senate, No. 329), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

**Savings banks,
— interest on
deposits.**

The House Bill to allow savings banks and institutions for savings to pay interest on deposits in certain cases (House, No. 566), — was read a third time, as previously amended by the Senate.

Mr. McIntosh, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft entitled "An Act to permit savings banks and savings departments of trust companies to contract for the payment of interest on certain deposits" (Senate, No. 342).

This amendment was adopted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 342), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

House bills.

The House bills

Relative to the duties of members of boards of health acting as inspectors of slaughtering (House, No. 1149); and

Relative to the cold storage of articles of food (House, No. 1150);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate reports

Senate reports.

Of the committee on Public Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by order, House, No. 48) of Roland D. Sawyer for an investigation by the committee on Public Institutions of the desirability and possibility of the Commonwealth securing the Camp Devens cantonment in Ayer as a home for State institutions;

Of the committee on Public Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 211) of George H. Garfield relative to the establishment by the Commission on Mental Diseases of a hospital for certain voluntary mental patients;

Of the committee on Public Institutions, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 667) of Roland D. Sawyer for an appropriation for the purchase of additional land in the town of Belchertown for the proposed school for the feeble-minded;

Of the committee on Public Institutions, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1375) of Michael F. Malone for the establishment of a sprinkler system of fire protection at the Worcester State Hospital;

Of the committee on Waterways and Terminals, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 845) of D. F. Reardon for an investigation by the Public Service

Commission as to the feasibility of using the elevated structure in Atlantic Avenue in the city of Boston for carrying railroad equipment; and

Of the committee on Waterways and Terminals, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 846) of D. F. Reardon for an investigation by the Public Service Commission as to delays in handling freight in the city of Boston;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Report of the committee on Public Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 665) of William J. Bullock and others relative to the transfer of prisoners from jails and houses of correction, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of Mr. Perrin.

Prisoners, — transfer.

The Senate Report of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 168) of Silas D. Reed for an investigation and alleviation of the present crisis in the financing, management and operation of the street railways, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Perrin.

Street railways, — financing and operation.

The Senate Report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 277) of Edward A. Counihan, Jr., that the Public Service Commission be directed to inquire into the cost of construction of the Cambridge subway, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Perrin.

Cambridge subway, — cost of construction.

The House reports

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 216) of J. Frank O'Brien that the city of Cambridge be authorized to make certain contracts for a longer term than one year;

House reports.

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 188) of James W. Hayes relative to the election of city clerks in certain cities;

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 255) of Frank Mulveny that a bounty be provided for the killing of foxes;

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 469) of R. W. Crocker relative to the taking of eels and fish from great ponds in the county of Dukes County;

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw (for the reason that the proposition is covered by existing law), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 749) of Matthew A. Higgins that fishing with floats be prohibited or restricted;

House reports.

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 119) of Martin Hays relative to restricting the practice of professions by aliens;

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 267) of The Dorchester Board of Trade for further regulation of the issuance of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors;

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1064) of James T. Purcell for the issuance of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors for proportionate periods of the license year; and

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 983) of James E. Odlin for the suspension of all increases in salaries and pensions of persons in the service of the Commonwealth;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Eames, at ten minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, March 6, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Adelbert L. Hudson of Quincy.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Jackson, for the committee on Cities, that the recommended Senate Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to establish a board of Trustees to have the care, management and control of Melrose Cemetery in said city (printed as House, No. 187), ought to pass;

Brockton, —
Melrose
Cemetery.

Read, and the bill placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of P. M. Costello, a Bill to authorize the city of Boston to take for historical purposes certain land and a building thereon in the Dorchester district of the city (printed as House, No. 730); and

Boston, —
taking of cer-
tain historical
property in
Dorchester.

By Mr. Halliwell, for the committee on Municipal Finance, on the petition of Charles S. Ashley, a Bill to authorize the city of New Bedford to incur further indebtedness for the purpose of erecting and equipping a municipal hospital (Senate, No. 237, — changed by the committee in section 1, by inserting before the word "thousand", in line 6, the words "six hundred and fifty");

New Bedford,
— municipal
hospital.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Cavanagh, for the joint committee on the Judiciary, on the special report of the said commissioners (House, No. 1270) (in part), a Resolve to extend the time within which the commissioners for consolidating and arranging the general laws of the Commonwealth are required to make their final report (Senate, No. 344);

Commission to
consolidate
and arrange
the General
Laws, — exten-
sion of time
for report.

Read, Senate Rule No. 27 suspended, on motion of the same Senator, and the resolve placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Nason, for the committee on Taxation, on the petition of Martin Taylor (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 834), a Resolve in favor of H. Clinton Taylor, executor of the estate of Thomas J. Taylor (Senate, No. 343);

Estate of
Thomas J.
Taylor.

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Beck, for the joint committee on Rules, that the Senate Order that the committee on Cities be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the city of Holyoke, on or before March 15, — ought to be adopted;

Committee on
Cities, —
travel.

Read, and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McLane, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Committee on
Metropolitan
Affairs, —
travel.

By Mr. Beck, for the joint committee on Rules, that the Senate Order that the committee on Metropolitan Affairs be authorized to travel, in the discharge of its duties, in the metropolitan district, on or before March 20th, — ought to be adopted;

Read, and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McLane, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Committee on
Military
Affairs, —
travel.

By Mr. Beck, for the joint committee on Rules, that the Senate Order that the committee on Military Affairs be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the cities of Boston and Chelsea, on or before March 15, — ought to be adopted;

Read, and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McLane, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Committee on
Public
Institutions,
— travel.

By Mr. Beck, for the joint committee on Rules, that the Senate Order that the committee on Public Institutions be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough, the Rutland State Sanatorium at Rutland, the Prison Camp and Hospital at Rutland, the Industrial School for Girls at Lancaster, the Industrial School for Boys at Shirley, the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded at Waverley and the Leper Colony at Penikese Island, on or before March 25, — ought to be adopted;

Read, and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McLane, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Boston, —
reinstatement
of Edward W.
Chase.

By Mr. Hardy of Worcester, for the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 684) of Edward A. Scigliano that Edward W. Chase be reinstated in the public works department of the city of Boston;

Boston, —
reinstatement
of Thomas J.
Fahey.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1032) of William H. McDonnell that Thomas J. Fahey be reinstated in the fire department of the city of Boston; and

Minors, —
hunters' and
trappers'
licenses.

By Mr. Prescott, for the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 180) of George B. Churchill relative to the granting of hunters' and trappers' licenses to minors;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Committees Discharged.

Sources of
water supply,
— boating and
fishing; pollu-
tion.

Mr. Chamberlain, for the committee on Public Health, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 644) of William J. Naphen relative to permitting fishing and boating in great ponds; of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 801) of William D. Lambert and others that boating and fishing be permitted in certain ponds in the city of Haverhill and the towns of Groveland and Boxford; and of so much of the annual report of the State Department of Health on the purification and prevention of pollution of the sources of water supply and the inland waters of the

Commonwealth (House, No. 1299) as relates to sewerage and sewage disposal, and recommending that the same be referred to the committees on Water Supply and Public Health, sitting jointly; and

Mr. Nason, for the committee on Water Supply, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of so much of the annual report of the State Department of Health on the purification and prevention of pollution of the sources of water supply and the inland waters of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1299) as relates to water supply, and recommending that the same be referred to the committees on Water Supply and Public Health, sitting jointly.

State Department of Health,
— purification
of sources of
water supply
and inland
waters.

The reports were severally read and accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Loring moved that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at a previous session, it had accepted, in concurrence, the House Report of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 9) of Frederick T. Fuller for an official campaign bulletin of information relative to qualifications of candidates and to referendum measures; and, there being no objection, this motion was entertained; and it prevailed.

Campaign
bulletin.

Pending the recurring question on accepting the report, in concurrence, it was recommitted to the said committee, on further motion of the same Senator.

Sent down for concurrence in the recommittal.

Mr. Loring moved that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at a previous session, it had accepted, in concurrence, the House Report of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1203) of Charles H. Porter relative to sending voters information concerning referenda or questions submitted to the voters at a State election; and, there being no objection, this motion was entertained; and it prevailed.

Pending the recurring question on accepting the report, in concurrence, it was recommitted to the said committee, on further motion of the same Senator.

Sent down for concurrence in the recommittal.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Weston, the Senate Report of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 209) of George D. Chamberlain that provision be made for pensions for janitors of school-houses and public buildings, — was taken from the table and considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was recommitted to the said committee, on further motion of the same Senator.

Janitors of
school-houses,
— pensions.

Janitors of
school-houses,
— pensions.

On motion of Mr. Weston, the Senate Report of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 90) of Joseph E. Freeling relative to the retirement of janitors of public school buildings in certain cities and towns, — was taken from the table and considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was re-committed to the said committee, on further motion of the same Senator.

Committee of Conference.

Appropriation,
— aiding soldiers,
sailors and marines in
finding employment;
committee of
conference.

The President appointed Messrs. Beck, Kearney and Cavanagh to serve, on the part of the Senate, on the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches with reference to the House Bill making an appropriation for aiding returned soldiers, sailors and marines in finding employment (House, No. 1331); and the bill was sent down endorsed accordingly.

Bills Ordered Printed.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain, —

Voted, that the following bills, severally accompanying the report of the Special Recess Commission on Education (Senate, No. 330), be printed as separate Senate documents, to wit: —

Compulsory
school
attendance.
Continuation
schools.

Bill relative to compulsory school attendance (Senate, No. 346).

Bill to require the establishment and maintenance of continuation schools and courses of instruction for employed minors (Senate, No. 347).

School
hygiene.

Bill to promote the practice of school hygiene and the health and physical development of school children (Senate, No. 348).

Public school-
teachers.

Bill to provide for the certification of public school-teachers (Senate, No. 349).

State attend-
ance officer.

Bill authorizing the employment of a State attendance officer (Senate, No. 350).

General school
fund.

Bill establishing the general school fund (Senate, No. 351).

Massachusetts
School Fund.

Bill relative to the distribution of the Massachusetts School Fund (Senate, No. 352).

Public schools,
— laws.

Bill to make certain corrections and additions in laws relating to the public schools (Senate, No. 353).

State Depart-
ment of Edu-
cation.

Bill to establish the State Department of Education (Senate, No. 354).

School-com-
mittees, —
superintendents
of schools.

Bill to define the powers and duties of school-committees and the duties of superintendents of schools (Senate, No. 355).

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Beverly, —
salaries of
firemen and
policemen.

Relative to the salaries of the members of the police and fire departments of the city of Beverly (House, No. 249, on the petition of Charles A. King and others);

Essex, Dukes
and Nantucket
counties, —
quail.

To prohibit until the year nineteen hundred and twenty-two the taking of quail in the counties of Essex, Dukes and Nantucket (House, No. 883, — on the recommendations of the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game, House, No. 873, in part);

To permit the spearing of eels and carp (House, No. 888, — Eels and carp, — spearing.
on the recommendations of the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game, House, No. 873, in part); and

To provide for the establishment of a commissioner of health for the city of Cambridge (House, No. 1034, on the petition of Lucian D. Fuller); Cambridge, — commissioner of health.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Reports

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 272) of Albert Birch relative to the commitment of insane persons; Insane persons, — commitment.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 118) of Martin Hays that the day of the State election be made a legal holiday; State election day, — legal holiday.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 945) of Arthur J. Davis and another relative to the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors; Intoxicating liquors, — repeal of statute.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1056) of John Marshall Barry for legislation to regulate the legal rate of interest in this Commonwealth; and Interest, — legal rate.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1218) of Carrie G. Barr relative to the filing of accounts of executors, administrators, guardians and trustees; and Executors and others, — filing of accounts.

Of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 211) of George W. Jones that the Massachusetts Commission for the Blind be authorized to give certain aid to blind persons; Blind persons, — State aid.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Notice was received from the House that the Bill to empower the Massachusetts Commission for the Blind to give certain aid to blind persons in business (House, No. 314, taken from the files of last year), had been rejected by the House; also Blind persons in business, — State aid.

That Mr. Gould of Milford had been excused, at his own request, from serving as a member of the committee on Legal Affairs; and that he had been appointed to membership on the committee on the Judiciary, to fill a vacancy in the membership of that committee caused by the resignation, as a member of the House, of Mr. Keedy of Amherst. Changes in committees.

A House petition of Edgar Mew and others in aid of the petition of William A. Knowlton and others for an amendment of the Constitution to restore annual elections, — was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Constitutional Amendments. Constitutional amendment, — annual elections.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 9th joint rule with reference to a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1399) of Vernon M. Hawkins and another that the town of Sharon be authorized to acquire and operate a street railway line and other means of transportation; and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice had been given as the committee should direct. Sharon, — acquisition of a street railway.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (both of which originated in the House) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To authorize the town of Hull to pay a sum of money to Joseph E. Hannigan; and

To require cities, towns and districts to notify the Director of the Bureau of Statistics of the authorization and issue of loans.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Savings banks,
— interest on
deposits.

The Senate Bill to permit savings banks and savings departments of trust companies to contract for the payment of interest on certain deposits (Senate, No. 342), — was passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Theatrical
licenses.

The Senate Report of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 624) of Philip J. Feinberg relative to theatrical licenses, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Reed.

Theatres, etc.

The Senate Report of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 772) of Frank W. Thayer for legislation relative to theatres and places of public amusement, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Reed.

Calves, —
weight of
carcasses
sold as food.

The House Report of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 798) of James W. Hayes for legislation relative to the weight of carcasses of calves offered for sale as food, — was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills.

The bills

To authorize cities and towns to raise and appropriate money for memorials to soldiers and sailors (Senate, No. 339);

To establish the annuity payable to the widows and children of certain deceased policemen and firemen (Senate, No. 341);

Relative to the tenure of office of the clerk of the city of Medford (House, No. 53, changed);

To authorize the city of Everett to pay a pension to Lindley R. Woods (House, No. 459);

To establish a close season for the hunting or killing of raccoons (House, No. 591); and

Revoking certain rights of Alexander K. Crocker to take alewives from Mill River in the town of Sandwich (House, No. 885); and

The Resolve further to extend the time for the improvement of a certain part of the Taunton River (Senate, No. 338); Resolve.

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relative to the operation of motor-vehicles (Senate, No. 340), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday. Motor-vehicles, — operation.

The Senate Bill relative to the retirement of school janitors and attendance officers in the city of Boston (printed as House, No. 533, changed), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Kearney, the bill was recommitted to the committee on Social Welfare. Janitors of school-houses and attendance officers, — retirement.

The Senate Bill to require insurance brokers to furnish surety bonds (printed as House, No. 370, changed), — was read a third time. Insurance brokers, — surety bonds.

Mr. Walsh moved that the bill be laid on the table; and this motion was negatived.

The bill was then rejected.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reference to the next General Court, on the special report of the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands relative to acquiring land in the town of Gay Head for a State reservation (see House, No. 1643 of 1917); and Senate reports.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1213) of Robert W. Renfrew and another for the establishment of penal and civil codes of procedure;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 259) of George A. Burnes that common carriers be liable for larceny of merchandise and for failure to pay over money collected on merchandise, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Loring. Common carriers, — liability for loss of merchandise.

The House Report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1033) of Lucian D. Fuller that the license commissioner of the city of Cambridge be authorized to grant licenses and permits, — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence. Cambridge, — board of license commissioners.

On motion of Mr. Counihan, the report was amended by substituting a "Bill to establish a board of license commissioners in the city of Cambridge" (Senate, No. 345); and the bill was read and, under the rule, was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

House
reports.

The House reports

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 4) of M. F. O'Brien, for the Federation of State, City and Town Employees' Unions, relative to vacations for municipal employees;

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 136) of Louis Swig that authority for the appointment of a local superintendent for the suppression of gypsy and brown tail moths be vested in the park commissioners of the city of Taunton;

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 217) of A. L. Moriarty that laborers, mechanics and workmen in the city of Newton may have Saturday half-holidays without loss of pay;

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 742) of Fred J. Burrell that cities and towns be required to furnish members of their police and fire departments with uniforms;

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1029) of John B. Cashman relative to an investigation by the Public Service Commission as to the advisability of constructing a municipal building in the East Boston district of the city of Boston;

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1035) of John H. Baker for an amendment to the charter of the city of Marlborough relative to the salary of the mayor of said city;

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1036) of John H. Baker for legislation to amend the charter of the city of Marlborough in respect to the inauguration of the members of the city government;

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1190) of F. F. Clauss relative to the removal of heads of departments and members of commissions and executive boards in cities under the Plan B charter, so called;

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1192) of Thomas A. Niland that the city of Boston be authorized to reinstate Frank L. Turner in the cemetery department of said city;

Of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 162) of Frank F. Morse for an amendment of the eight-hour law, so called, limiting the meaning of the words "extraordinary emergency";

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 262) of Joseph S. Donnelly that a penalty be provided for failure to furnish heat in buildings occupied as homes or for business purposes;

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 22) of M. A. O'Brien, Jr., that the twelfth day of February be made a legal holiday to be known as Lincoln Day;

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 24) of Charles A. Kelley that Federal election day be made a legal holiday in this Commonwealth;

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 66) of William Cushing Wait that certain holidays be observed on Monday of the week in which they occur;

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 489) of Jeremiah P. Keating for the clearing out by the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board of certain ditches in the town of Westborough;

Of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 84) of Roland D. Sawyer that provision be made for public nurses in small towns;

Of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 972) of John J. Tobin and another for an amendment of the law relative to the sale of intoxicating liquors by registered pharmacists; and

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1098) of John I. Fitzgerald for the repeal of the law relative to the licensing, inspection and regulation of hotels and private lodging-houses;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Brown, at fifteen minutes past three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

FRIDAY, March 7, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Report of a Committee.*Criminal
actions, —
dismissal
of complaints.

By Mr. Counihan, for the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 609) of John D. Mackay relative to the dismissal of complaints in criminal actions;

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

*Committee Discharged.*Boston Ele-
vated Railway
Company.

Mr. Perrin, for the committees on Street Railways and Metropolitan Affairs, sitting jointly, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 52) of the Germantown Citizens Association that provision be made for State ownership and control of the Boston Elevated Railway Company and the West End Street Railway Company; the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 54) of John J. Walsh that the maximum rate of fare charged by the Boston Elevated Railway Company be five cents and that any deficiency in revenue be paid by the Commonwealth; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1265) of Charles A. Ufford for improved freight and passenger transportation in the metropolitan district; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1349) of Daniel J. Gillen relative to the rate of dividends on common stock to be included by the board of trustees of the Boston Elevated Railway Company in estimating the cost of service as a basis for fixing rates of fares; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1350) of Fred P. Greenwood for the establishment of a six-cent fare on street railways for transportation to and from points within five miles of the State House; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1351) of Fred P. Greenwood that the public operation of the Boston Elevated Railway Company be discontinued; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1352) of Frank B. Phinney for the establishment of a uniform and single rate of fare for persons travelling over street railway lines in the city of Boston; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1353) of the Citizens Transportation Committee of Hyde Park for the creation of a metropolitan transportation district to hold and operate street railway lines in eastern Massachusetts; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1358) of William J. McDonald and others for the incorporation of the Boston Rapid Transit Com-

pany, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Street Railways.

The report was read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Churchill, the Senate Resolve to extend the time for filing the final report of the Commissioners to consolidate and arrange the General Laws (Senate, No. 300), — was taken from the table and considered; and, pending the question on ordering the resolve to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Gifford.

Commission to consolidate and arrange the General Laws, — extension of time for report.

Resolutions.

Mr. McKnight presented Resolutions in favor of compelling Germany and her allies to make financial reparation for the lives of Americans lost in the war (Senate, No. 356); and the same were referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. McLane, to the committee on Federal Relations.

American lives lost in war, — financial reparation by Germany.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

To establish the office of messenger to the probate court and court of insolvency for the county of Suffolk (House, No. 1427, — on the petition of Arthur W. Dolan and others, accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 30); and

Suffolk County, — probate court messenger.

Fixing the time and place for holding probate court in the county of Franklin (House, No. 1428, — on the petition of Francis N. Thompson and others, accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 82);

Franklin County, — sitting of the probate court.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills

Relative to the authority of officers of domestic insurance companies (House, No. 379, — on the recommendations of the Insurance Commissioner, House, No. 362, in part);

Domestic insurance companies, — authority of officers.

To enable the Boston Five Cents Savings Bank to purchase and hold additional real estate (House, No. 904, on the petition of said bank and another);

Boston Five Cents Savings Bank, — additional property.

To authorize the city of Brockton to pay a pension to William W. Thompson (House, No. 1313, on the petition of the mayor and city solicitor of said city);

Brockton, — pension to William W. Thompson.

Relative to collectors of taxes (House, No. 1420, — on the petition of Joseph S. Pike, accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 37); and

Collectors of taxes.

To encourage manufacture and shipping in the city of Cambridge (House, No. 1446, — on the petition of Edward W. Quinn, mayor, accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 253);

Cambridge, — tenancy of land on the Charles River.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Reports

Boston police department, — William F. Hutchinson.

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 189) of William F. Hutchinson that he be reinstated in the police department of the city of Boston;

Boston fire department, — two-platoon system and compensation.

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 907) of Frank H. Cowin relative to the establishment of a two-platoon system in the fire department of the city of Boston and to the compensation of members of said department;

Factories and workshops, — lockers.

Of the committee on Labor, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 769) of Michael H. Jordan relative to the furnishing of lockers in certain factories and workshops;

Eleventh day of November, — legal holiday.

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 23) of Charles H. Hartshorn that November 11 be made a legal holiday in commemoration of the close of the great war; and

Traverse jurors, — length of service.

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 947) of Francis A. Seaman and others relative to the length of service of traverse jurors;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Special reports were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

Supervisor of Administration, — consolidation of certain boards, commissions, etc.

Special report of the Supervisor of Administration recommending the establishment of a Department of Education and Registration, a Department of Public Welfare and a Metropolitan District Commission, and the transfer of the work connected with the decennial census, the retirement of State employees and the surveying of lumber to existing departments (House, No. 1430);

To the committee on Administration and Commissions.

Supervisor of Administration, — classification of positions of judicial and county officials.

Special report of the Supervisor of Administration relative to the classification of positions, held by judicial and certain other State and county officials and employees, into services, groups and grades and to standardizing salary rates and ranges (House, No. 1451):

So much as relates to the appointment of a judicature commission, to the joint committee on the Judiciary; and

The residue, to the committee on Public Service.

Motor-vehicle registration fees, — distribution, etc.

Report of the special commission (Massachusetts Highway Commission, Supervisor of Administration and Secretary of the Commonwealth) which was directed to consider whether the present fees for the registration of motor-vehicles and for licensing the operators thereof are equitable and sufficient, whether changes should be made in the method of distributing or applying said fees, and whether there is need of further legislation to regulate the sale of second-hand motor-vehicles or to prevent the larceny of motor-vehicles (House, No. 1450);

To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Special report of the Public Service Commission relative to the street railway situation of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1431);
 To the committee on Street Railways.

Public Service
 Commission,
 — report on
 street railway
 situation.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

To prohibit unlicensed persons from advertising as insurance agents, brokers or adjusters;

Bills enacted
 and laid before
 the Governor.

Discontinuing the publication of the book of rules and other matters for the General Court;

Relative to certain positions and salaries in the executive department of the Commonwealth;

Relative to the nomination of candidates for office in the city of Chelsea; and

To authorize the town of Stockbridge to exchange a parcel of its school lands for a like parcel adjacent thereto.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to establish a board of trustees to have the care, management and control of Melrose Cemetery in said city (printed as House, No. 187), — was ordered to a third reading.

Brockton, —
 Melrose
 Cemetery.

The bills

To authorize the city of New Bedford to incur further indebtedness for the purpose of erecting and equipping a municipal hospital (Senate, No. 237, changed);

Bills.

To establish a board of license commissioners in the city of Cambridge (Senate, No. 345);

To authorize the city of Boston to take for historical purposes certain land and a building thereon in the Dorchester district of the city (printed as House, No. 730);

Relative to the salaries of the members of the police and fire departments of the city of Beverly (House, No. 249);

To prohibit until the year nineteen hundred and twenty-two the taking of quail in the counties of Essex, Dukes and Nantucket (House, No. 883);

To permit the spearing of eels and carp (House, No. 888);
 and

To provide for the establishment of a commissioner of health for the city of Cambridge (House, No. 1034); and

The Resolve to extend the time within which the commissioners for consolidating and arranging the general laws of the Commonwealth are required to make their final report (Senate, No. 344);

Resolve.

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Senate
bill.

The Senate Bill to authorize cities and towns to raise and appropriate money for memorials to soldiers, sailors and marines (Senate, No. 339) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

House
bills.

The House bills

Relative to the tenure of office of the clerk of the city of Medford (House, No. 53, changed);

To authorize the city of Everett to pay a pension to Lindley R. Woods (House, No. 459); and

Revoking certain rights of Alexander K. Crocker to take alewives from Mill River in the town of Sandwich (House, No. 885);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Raccoons.

The House Bill to establish a close season for the hunting or killing of raccoons (House, No. 591), — was read a third time and was amended in section 1, on motion of Mr. Prescott, by inserting after the word "kill", in line 2, the words "or have in his possession".

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Boston, —
reinstatement
of Edward W.
Chase.

The Senate Report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 684) of Edward A. Scigliano that Edward W. Chase be reinstated in the public works department of the city of Boston, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was recommended to the said committee, on motion of Mr. Hardy of Worcester.

Senate
report.

The Senate Report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1032) of William H. McDonnell that Thomas J. Fahey be reinstated in the fire department of the city of Boston, — was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Minors, —
hunters' and
trappers'
licenses.

The Senate Report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 180) of George B. Churchill relative to the granting of hunters' and trappers' licenses to minors, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Churchill.

House
reports.

The House reports

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 272) of Albert Birch relative to the commitment of insane persons;

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 118) of Martin Hays that the day of the State election be made a legal holiday;

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 945) of Arthur J. Davis and another relative to the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors;

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1056) of John Marshall Barry for legislation to regulate the legal rate of interest in this Commonwealth;

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1218) of Carrie G. Barr relative to the filing of accounts of executors, administrators, guardians and trustees; and

Of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 211) of George W. Jones that the Massachusetts Commission for the Blind be authorized to give certain aid to blind persons;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Smith, at twenty minutes before twelve o'clock A.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, March 10, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Sir Horace Plunkett.

Sir Horace
Plunkett
of Dublin,
Ireland.

Sir Horace Plunkett of Dublin, Ireland, Chairman of the Board of Agriculture of Ireland and former member of Parliament from Ireland, was introduced by the President and addressed the Senate.

Report of a Committee.

Fall River, —
board of police.

By Mr. Jackson, for the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 135) of Thomas F. Higgins that the salaries of the members of the board of police for the city of Fall River be established;

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Taken from the Table.

Special recess
Commission
on Education,
— report.

On motion of Mr. McLane, the Report of the Special Recess Commission on Education (Senate, No. 330), — was taken from the table; and the report was referred to the committee on Education.

Special recess
committee on
Workmen's
Compensation,
— report.

On motion of Mr. Cavanagh, the Report of the joint special recess committee on Workmen's Compensation (Senate, No. 334), — was taken from the table; and the report was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Order.

Mr. Perrin offered the following order; and, under the rule, the order was referred to the Senate Committee on Rules, to wit: —

Opinion of
Justices of
the Supreme
Judicial Court;
Boston Ele-
vated Railway
Company,
fares; subway
rentals.

Whereas, There is now pending in the General Court a bill numbered Senate 54, entitled "An Act establishing a five cent fare on the lines of the Boston Elevated Railway Company and subsidizing the company from the public treasury for any resulting deficiency," a copy of which is herewith submitted; and

Whereas, Said bill makes reference to chapter 159 of the Special Acts of the year 1918, and proceeds upon the assumption that said chapter 159 is constitutional and wholly operative, the stockholders of the Boston Elevated Railway Company and the West End Street Railway Company having duly accepted the provisions of said chapter 159, and all the conditions prescribed therein having been performed, which under its terms are necessary in order to render it fully effective; and

Whereas, There is also now pending in the General Court a bill numbered House 722, entitled "An Act to provide for the assumption of subway rentals by the communities served by the Boston Elevated Railway Company," a copy of which is herewith submitted, and which also refers to said chapter 159, and likewise proceeds upon the assumption that said chapter 159 is constitutional and wholly operative; and

Whereas, There are other bills pending before the General Court, copies of which are hereto annexed, which cannot be intelligently acted upon unless the General Court is authoritatively advised relative to the constitutionality of said chapter 159; therefore be it

Ordered, That the Senate require the opinions of the Honorable the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court upon the following important questions of law: —

- (1) Would said Senate Bill No. 54 be constitutional if enacted?
- (2) Would said House Bill No. 722 be constitutional if enacted?
- (3) Is the whole or any part of said chapter 159 unconstitutional?
- (4) Is any part, or parts, of said chapter 159 which have a direct relation to the validity of said Senate Bill No. 54 or said House Bill No. 722, unconstitutional?

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Churchill, —

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Education is authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the cities of Boston, Fall River, Fitchburg, Lowell and New Bedford and the towns of Amherst, Dighton, Framingham and Walpole, be extended to March 25th.

Committee on Education, — travel.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

To authorize the city of Medford to incur additional indebtedness for reconstructing certain streets (House, No. 165, changed, — on the petition of the city solicitor of said city);

Medford, — indebtedness for highways.

Relative to the licensing of insurance adjusters (House, No. 384, — on the recommendations of the Insurance Commissioner, House, No. 362, in part);

Insurance adjusters.

Relative to the licensing of insurance agents (House, No. 385, — on the recommendations of the Insurance Commissioner, House, No. 362, in part);

Insurance agents.

Relative to the licensing of insurance brokers (House, No. 386, — on the recommendations of the Insurance Commissioner, House, No. 362, in part);

Insurance brokers.

To authorize the Metropolitan Park Commission to appoint Augustus C. Holton as a permanent police officer (House, No. 789, on the petition of George Lyman Rogers);

Metropolitan park police, — Augustus C. Holton.

To authorize Radcliffe College to hold additional property (House, No. 1422, — on the petition of the president of said college, accompanied by bill, House, No. 57); and

Radcliffe College, — additional property.

State employees, — financial condition of retirement system.

Relative to filing with the Insurance Commissioner statements showing the financial condition of the retirement system for employees of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1423, — on the recommendations of the Board of Retirement, House, No. 412, in part, see House, No. 414);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Appropriation, — aiding soldiers, sailors and marines in finding employment; committee of conference.

The House Bill making an appropriation for aiding returned soldiers, sailors and marines in finding employment (House, No. 1331), — came up, with the endorsement that the House had insisted on its non-concurrence in the Senate amendment, and had concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches; and that Messrs. Kneeland of Winchester, Bitzer of Arlington and Lyman of Easthampton, of the House, had been joined.

Reports

Private schools, — English language.

Of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 579) of Charles S. Jackson and others relative to the use of the English language in private schools;

Raccoon, — close season.

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1042) of Victor C. Johnson and others for legislation to establish a close season for raccoon;

Poor debtor proceedings, — bringing of actions.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 110) of Charles W. Gould for an amendment of the poor debtor law relative to the court in which action should be brought;

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw:

Minors, — false representations as to age.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 103) of George N. Holden that provision be made to protect merchants and others from liability in dealings with minors who falsely represent themselves to be of legal age;

Suffolk County courts, — deposits of money.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 191) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to deposits of money in the courts of the county of Suffolk;

Prisoners, — labor and penalty for escape.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 193) of Samuel H. Capen relative to labor performed by prisoners and to the penalty for the escape of prisoners;

Idle and disorderly persons, — punishment.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 257) of Joseph P. Walsh that provision be made for the punishment of idle and disorderly persons and other law-breakers;

Superior Court, — expediting trials.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 598) of Cornelius Boothman relative to expediting the trial of cases in the Superior Court;

Certain criminal cases, — sentences.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 600) of E. M. Shanley relative to sentence in criminal cases where executions or an appeal may have been taken;

Criminal cases, — evidence of previous convictions.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 610) of John D. Mackay relative to the admission of evidence relating to previous convictions;

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 611) of John R. Nelson relative to evidence of previous convictions in criminal cases;

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 616) of Frank W. Grinnell that double trials in civil actions be prevented and to provide for appellate divisions of police, district and municipal courts; and

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 618) of Frank W. Grinnell relative to appeals from police, district and municipal courts to the Superior Court on questions of law;

Of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1054) of John C. Gordon relative to regulating the hours of labor of hospital nurses and attendants and to designating the location of their sleeping apartments (Mr. Kelley of Worcester, of the House, dissenting);

Of the committee on Municipal Finance, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 502) of George W. Searle and another relative to the manner of appropriating money by towns;

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 820) of the Highway Safety League relative to the examination of applicants for licenses to operate motor-vehicles; and

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 992) of George L. Ellsworth relative to violations of law concerning the operation of motor-vehicles and to reissuing licenses to operators;

Of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 212) of the selectmen of the town of Wellesley that provision be made for suitably aiding motherless dependent children; and

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the recommendations of the Commission on Probation (House, No. 408) as provides that probation officers shall not hold other offices connected with the court (accompanied by bill, House, No. 409);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Notice was received from the House that the Bill to provide for the establishment of the Mohawk Trail Reservation (House, No. 545, taken from the House files), had been referred, by the House, to the next General Court.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Resolve to extend the time for filing the final report of the Commissioners to consolidate and arrange the General Laws (Senate, No. 300), — was considered; and, pending the question on ordering the resolve to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Gifford.

Criminal cases, — evidence of previous convictions.

Civil actions, — double trials; lower courts, — appellate divisions.

Lower courts, — appeals on questions of law.

Nurses, — hours of labor and sleeping apartments.

Town appropriations, — manner.

Operators of motor-vehicles, — examination.

Operation of motor-vehicles, — violation of law; licensing of operators.

Motherless dependent children, — suitable aid.

Probation officers, — holding of other court offices.

Mohawk Trail Reservation.

Commission to consolidate and arrange the General Laws, — extension of time for report.

Articles manu-
factured by
prisoners.

The Bill relative to the use by public institutions in cities of articles manufactured by the labor of prisoners (printed as House, No. 1173), — was ordered to a third reading.

Prisoners, —
transfer.

The Senate Report of the committee on Public Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 665) of William J. Bullock and others relative to the transfer of prisoners from jails and houses of correction, — was considered, the question being on accepting it.

Mr. Halliwell moved that the report be amended by substituting a "Bill relative to the transfer of persons from jails and houses of correction."

The same Senator moved that the further consideration of the report be postponed until the next session; and this motion was negatived.

Mr. Kearney moved that the proposed substitute bill be amended by adding at the end thereof the words "No prisoner transferred under this act shall be used in any labor in competition with free labor;" and this amendment was rejected, by a vote of 5 to 15.

The amendment moved by Mr. Halliwell was rejected, by a vote of 7 to 16.

The report was then accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bills.

The bills

Relative to the authority of officers of domestic insurance companies (House, No. 379);

To enable the Boston Five Cents Savings Bank to purchase and hold additional real estate (House, No. 904);

To authorize the city of Brockton to pay a pension to William W. Thompson (House, No. 1313);

Relative to collectors of taxes (House, No. 1420); and

To encourage manufacture and shipping in the city of Cambridge (House, No. 1446);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Senate bills.

The Senate bills

To authorize the city of New Bedford to incur further indebtedness for the purpose of erecting and equipping a municipal hospital (Senate, No. 237, changed);

Relative to the annuity payable to the widows and children of certain deceased policemen and firemen in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 341) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

To establish a board of license commissioners in the city of Cambridge (Senate, No. 345); and

To establish a board of trustees for the care, management and control of Melrose Cemetery in the city of Brockton (printed as House, No. 187) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

The Senate Resolve further to extend the time for the improvement of a certain part of the Taunton River (Senate, No. 338); Senate resolve.

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House bills

Relative to the payment of salaries in the police and fire departments of the city of Beverly (House, No. 249) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and House bills.

To permit the spearing of eels and carp (House, No. 888);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Bill to prohibit until the year nineteen hundred and twenty-two the taking of quail in the counties of Essex, Essex, Dukes and Nantucket counties, — quail. Dukes and Nantucket (House, No. 883), — was read a third time and was amended in section 1, on motion of Mr. Brown, by adding at the end thereof the words "or to have quail in possession, in said counties, except quail propagated under the provisions of chapter five hundred and sixty-seven of the Acts of nineteen hundred and twelve."

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, Senate report. leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 609) of John D. Mackay relative to the dismissal of complaints in criminal actions, — was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 907) of Frank H. Cowin relative to the establishment of a two-platoon system in the fire department of the city of Boston and to the compensation of members of said department, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Kearney. Boston, — two-platoon system in fire department.

The House reports

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 189) of William F. Hutchinson that he be reinstated in the police department of the city of Boston; House reports.

Of the committee on Labor, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 769) of Michael H. Jordan relative to the furnishing of lockers in certain factories and workshops;

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 23) of Charles H. Hartshorn that November 11 be made a legal holiday in commemoration of the close of the great war; and

House report.

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 947) of Francis A. Seaman and others relative to the length of service of traverse jurors;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Perrin, at five minutes before four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, March 11, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

•Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Dahlborg, for the committee on Public Institutions, on the recommendations of the Trustees of Hospitals for Consumptives (House, No. 852) (in part), a Bill to change the rate of board at the North Reading, Lakeville, Westfield and Rutland State Sanatoria from \$4.00 a week to \$5.00 a week (printed as House, No. 866) (Mr. Winchester, of the Senate, and Messrs. Cox, Symonds and Murphy, of the House, dissenting); and

State sanatoria,
— rate of board.

By Mr. Hastings, for the committee on Public Service, on the petition of George B. Churchill (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 167); and on the bill (House, No. 146, introduced on leave), a Bill relative to the retirement of members of the State Retirement Association upon reaching the age of seventy years (Senate, No. 357) (Messrs. Newhall and Gillan, of the House, dissenting);

Members of
State Retirement
Association, — retire-
ment.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Winchester, for the committee on Public Institutions, on the petition of Charles A. Kelley and another, a Resolve providing for compensating Frank McDonald for injuries received while an inmate of the Worcester State Hospital (printed as House, No. 1289, — changed by the committee by striking out, in line 1, the word "thousand", and inserting in place thereof the word "hundred") (Mr. Bliss, of the House, dissenting);

Frank
McDonald.

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Hastings, for the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 68) of James D. Henderson that the salary of the Bank Commissioner be established;

Bank Com-
missioner, —
salary.

By Mr. Gifford, for the joint committee on Ways and Means, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 250) of Albert Birch relative to the purchase of supplies, material and machinery by State boards and commissions; and

State boards
and commis-
sions, —
purchase of
supplies, etc.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 279) of Augustus P. Loring that provision be made for the publication of the reports of contested elections;

Contested
elections, —
publication
of reports.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Committee Discharged.

Ipswich River,
— taking of
water.

Mr. Nason, for the committee on Water Supply, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the special report of the State Department of Health asking for an extension of time within which to report relative to the taking of water from the Ipswich River (House, No. 239), and recommending that the same be referred to the committees on Water Supply and Public Health, sitting jointly.

The report was read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Remonstrances.

Workmen's
compensation
for injuries.

Mr. Hobbs presented remonstrances of The Bancroft Hotel Company, The Boston Manufacturing Co., 1901, the Estate of Josiah Perry, Inc., the Luther Mfg. Co., Fall River, The Pairpoint Corporation, the Valley Paper Company, The Waltham Bleachery & Dye Works and the Whittenton Manufacturing Co., — severally, against the passage of the legislation recommended in Appendix A of the report of the Joint Special Recess Committee on Workmen's Compensation, being an act "to provide for the establishment of a State Fund Association for the purpose of insuring the liability of employers to pay compensation on account of injured employees"; and also against the passage of House Bills Nos. 259, 936 and 1047; and the same were severally referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Orders.

Joint com-
mittees, —
reports.

Mr. Eames offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —

Ordered, That the time within which joint committees are required, under the provisions of the 10th joint rule, to make final report upon all matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended to Wednesday, March 19.

Committee on
Waterways and
Terminals, —
travel.

Mr. Beck offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —

Ordered, That the committee on Waterways and Terminals be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the cities of Boston and Quincy on or before March 24th.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Tisbury
Great Pond, —
leasing.

Extending the time during which the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game may lease Tisbury Great Pond for the cultivation of fish (House, No. 1426, — on the petition of Benjamin G. Collins, accompanied by bill, House, No. 928); and

Escape of
patients from
institutions,

Providing a penalty for assisting in the escape of patients from certain institutions (House, No. 1445, — on so much of the

recommendations of the Commission on Mental Diseases, House, No. 392, as relates thereto, see House, No. 398); — penalty for assisting.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

The Senate Report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 153) of David R. Radovsky relative to licensing and regulating the operation of motor-vehicles, — came up, recommitted to the said committee; and the Senate concurred therein. Motor-vehicles, — licensing by local authorities.

Reports

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 218) of John J. Mahoney that the city of Boston be authorized to pension Bernard J. Kelley; and Boston. — pension to Bernard J. Kelley.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 741) of Matthew A. Higgins that the city of Taunton be authorized to use as a playground certain land donated for cemetery purposes; Taunton. — playground on cemetery land.

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 586) of Eden K. Bowser that the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game be authorized to regulate the taking of pickerel from Lake Quannapowitt in the town of Wakefield; and Lake Quannapowitt in Wakefield. — pickerel.

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 81) of the selectmen of the town of Millbury and others for the dredging and deepening of the channel of the Blackstone River; Blackstone River. — channel improvement.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Reports

Of the committee on Public Service, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the message from the Governor submitting a Bill giving preference to veterans under the civil service laws and regulations (House, No. 1404), and recommending that the same be referred to the committees on Reconstruction and Public Service, sitting jointly; and Message from the Governor. — civil service preference to veterans.

Of the committee on Public Service, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the House Bill further defining the word veteran as used in the civil service laws and regulations (printed as Senate, No. 87), and recommending that the same be referred to the committees on Reconstruction and Public Service, sitting jointly; Civil service laws. — preference to veterans.

Were severally read and accepted, in concurrence.

A House petition of Thomas B. Murphy and others in aid of the petition of William A. Knowlton and others for an amendment of the Constitution to restore annual elections, — was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Constitutional Amendments. Constitutional amendment. — annual elections.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. Athol. — land for school purposes.

1437) of Fred W. Lord and others, school committee, that the town of Athol be authorized to acquire land for school purposes; and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Municipal Finance.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first four of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

Relative to the determination of sound values under policies of fire insurance;

Relative to the filing of schedules of real estate mortgages by insurance companies;

Relative to the issue by the Insurance Commissioner of certificates for use in court;

Validating the locations granted by the town of Hingham for the lines of its electric light department;

Relative to the cold storage of articles of food;

Relative to the contents of the ballot at municipal elections in the city of Cambridge; and

Relative to the duties of members of boards of health acting as inspectors of slaughtering.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Commission to
consolidate
and arrange
the General
Laws, — extension
of time
for report.

The Senate Resolve to extend the time for filing the final report of the Commissioners to consolidate and arrange the General Laws (Senate, No. 300), — was considered; and the Senate refused to order it to a third reading.

Motor-vehicles,
— operation.

The Senate Bill relative to the operation of motor-vehicles (Senate, No. 340), — was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Hobbs moved that the bill be amended by striking out, in line 6, the words "any motor-vehicle be operated", and inserting in place thereof the words "the owner or custodian of any motor-vehicle permit the same to be operated or to remain."

Pending this amendment and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of the same Senator.

Supervisor of
Administration,
— department
of the Civil
Service Commission.

The following House order was adopted, in concurrence: —

Ordered, That the Supervisor of Administration be directed to investigate the conduct, methods and practices of the department of the Civil Service Commission, and to report to the present session of the General Court his conclusions and recommendations, on or before the fifteenth day of April.

Bills.

The bills

To authorize the city of Medford to incur additional indebtedness for reconstructing certain streets (House, No. 165, changed);

Relative to the licensing of insurance adjusters (House, No. 384);

Relative to the licensing of insurance agents (House, No. 385);

Relative to the licensing of insurance brokers (House, No. 386);

To authorize the Metropolitan Park Commission to appoint Augustus C. Holton as a permanent police officer (House, No. 789);

To authorize Radcliffe College to hold additional property (House, No. 1422); and

Relative to filing with the Insurance Commissioner statements showing the financial condition of the retirement system for employees of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1423);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill relative to the use by public institutions in cities of articles manufactured by the labor of prisoners (printed as House, No. 1173), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Senate bill.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill to authorize the city of Boston to take for historical purposes certain land and a building thereon in the Dorchester district of the city (printed as House, No. 730), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be recommitted to the committee on Cities. Boston, — historical building in Dorchester.

This recommendation was adopted and, accordingly, the bill was recommitted to the committee on Cities.

The Senate Resolve to extend the time within which the commissioners for consolidating and arranging the general laws of the Commonwealth are required to make their final report (Senate, No. 344), — was read a third time. Commission to consolidate and arrange the General Laws, — extension of time for report.

Mr. Churchill moved that the resolve be amended by striking out, in lines 6 and 7, the words "September, nineteen hundred and nineteen", and inserting in place thereof the words "January, nineteen hundred and twenty"; and by striking out, in line 19, the words "September first, nineteen hundred and nineteen", and inserting in place thereof the words "January first, nineteen hundred and twenty."

These amendments were rejected.

The resolve was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House bills

Relative to the authority of officers of domestic insurance companies (House, No. 379); House bills.

To enable the Boston Five Cents Savings Bank to purchase and hold additional real estate (House, No. 904);

To authorize the city of Brockton to pay a pension to William W. Thompson (House, No. 1313); and

Increasing the term for which the city of Cambridge may lease certain land bordering on the Charles River for wharves, ter-

minals or other commercial purposes (House, No. 1446) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Cambridge, —
commissioner
of health.

The House Bill to establish the office of commissioner of health for the city of Cambridge (House, No. 1034) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time and was amended in section 2, on motion of Mr. Counihan, by inserting after the word "hospitals", in line 2, the words "with the exception of The Cambridge City Hospital."

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Senate report.

The Senate Report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 135) of Thomas F. Higgins that the salaries of the members of the board of police for the city of Fall River be established, — was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Towns, —
manner of
appropriating
money.

The House Report of the committee on Municipal Finance, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 502) of George W. Searle and another relative to the manner of appropriating money by towns, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden.

Motherless
dependent
children.

The House Report of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 212) of the selectmen of the town of Wellesley that provision be made for suitably aiding motherless dependent children, — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Perrin, the report was amended by substituting a "Bill to provide for suitably aiding motherless dependent children" (Senate, No. 212); and the bill was read and, under the rule, was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

House reports.

The House reports

Of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 579) of Charles S. Jackson and others relative to the use of the English language in private schools;

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1042) of Victor C. Johnson and others for legislation to establish a close season for raccoon;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 103) of George

N. Holden that provision be made to protect merchants and others from liability in dealing with minors who falsely represent themselves to be of legal age;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 191) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to deposits of money in the courts of the county of Suffolk;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 193) of Samuel H. Capen relative to labor performed by prisoners and to the penalty for the escape of prisoners;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 257) of Joseph P. Walsh that provision be made for the punishment of idle and disorderly persons and other law-breakers;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 110) of Charles W. Gould for an amendment of the poor debtor law relative to the court in which action should be brought;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 598) of Cornelius Boothman relative to expediting the trial of cases in the Superior Court;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 600) of E. M. Shanley relative to sentence in criminal cases where exceptions or an appeal may have been taken;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 610) of John D. Mackay relative to the admission of evidence relating to previous convictions;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 611) of John R. Nelson relative to evidence of previous convictions in criminal cases;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 616) of Frank W. Grinnell that double trials in civil actions be prevented and to provide for appellate divisions of police, district and municipal courts;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 618) of Frank W. Grinnell relative to appeals from police, district and municipal courts to the Superior Court on questions of law;

Of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1054) of John C. Gordon relative to regulating the hours of labor of hospital nurses and attendants and to designating the location of their sleeping apartments;

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 820) of the Highway Safety League relative to the examination of applicants for licenses to operate motor-vehicles;

House reports.

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 992) of George L. Ellsworth relative to violations of law concerning the operation of motor-vehicles and to reissuing licenses to operators; and

Of the committee on Social Welfare, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the recommendations of the Commission on Probation (House, No. 408) as provides that probation officers shall not hold other offices connected with the court (accompanied by bill, House, No. 409);

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Mahoney, at twenty-one minutes before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, March 12, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Henry Hallam Saunderson of Boston.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Churchill, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill fixing the time and place for holding probate court in the county of Franklin (House, No. 1428), ought to pass; and Franklin County, — session of probate court.

By Mr. McLane, for the same committee, that the House Bill to establish the office of messenger to the probate court and court of insolvency for the county of Suffolk (House, No. 1427), ought to pass; Suffolk County probate court, — messenger.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Reed, for the committee on Military Affairs, that the recommitted Senate Bill relative to the use of armories provided for the militia (Senate, No. 63, changed), ought to pass (Mr. Sullivan, of the Senate, dissenting); Armories.

Read, and the bill placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of Harold L. Perrin and the selectmen of the said town, a Bill authorizing the town of Wellesley to pay the cost of insuring the lives of its residents in war service (Senate, No. 267); Wellesley, — insuring lives of residents in war service.

Read, the rules suspended, on motion of the same Senator, and the bill read a second time and a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 suspended, on further motion of Mr. Reed.

By Mr. Hardy of Worcester, for the same committee, on the petition of Jesse F. Stevens, a Bill to authorize the purchase of historical works relative to the service of Massachusetts volunteers in the European war (printed as House, No. 73); Histories of the European war.

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Halliwell, for the committee on Municipal Finance, that the recommitted Senate Bill relative to the cost of construction and maintenance of the bridges between the cities of Boston, Chelsea, and Everett and the town of Winthrop (printed as House, No. 968), ought not to pass; Boston, Chelsea, Everett and Winthrop, — bridges.

Read, and the bill placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on rejecting it.

Boston, —
East Boston
ferry service.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of John J. Kearney, a Bill authorizing the city of Boston to improve the East Boston ferry service (Senate, No. 155, — changed by the committee in section 1, by striking out, in line 2, the words "or by bond issue, in either case");

New Bedford, —
old high school
building.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of Charles S. Ashley, a Bill to authorize the city of New Bedford to incur indebtedness for the purpose of renovating, reconstructing, rebuilding, equipping and furnishing the old high school, so called (Senate, No. 235);

New Bedford,
— school-
houses.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of Charles S. Ashley, a Bill to authorize the city of New Bedford to incur further indebtedness for the purpose of purchasing land and constructing and furnishing school-houses (Senate, No. 236); and

New Bedford,
— sewer
construction.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of Charles S. Ashley, a Bill to authorize the city of New Bedford to incur indebtedness for the purpose of sewer construction (Senate, No. 238);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Opinion of
Justices of
the Supreme
Judicial Court;
Boston Ele-
vated Railway
Company,
fares; subway
rentals.

By Mr. McLane, for the committee on Rules, that the Senate Order relative to requiring the opinions of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court relative to the constitutionality of certain provisions of the act establishing a five cent fare on the lines of the Boston Elevated Railway Company and of certain proposed laws pending in the General Court, — ought to be adopted with the following amendments: — Inserting before the words "copies of which", the words " — to wit: — Senate bills numbered 52 and 287, and House bills numbered 721, 1351 and 1352, — "; and inserting after the words "Is any part, or", the words "are any";

The rule suspended, on motion of the same Senator, and the order considered forthwith, amended, as had been recommended by the committee on Rules, and, as amended, adopted, as follows, to wit: —

Whereas, There is now pending in the General Court a Bill numbered Senate 54, entitled "An Act establishing a five cent fare on the lines of the Boston Elevated Railway Company and subsidizing the company from the public treasury for any resulting deficiency," a copy of which is herewith submitted; and

Whereas, Said bill makes reference to chapter 159 of the Special Acts of the year 1918, and proceeds upon the assumption that said chapter 159 is constitutional and wholly operative, the stockholders of the Boston Elevated Railway Company and the West End Street Railway Company having duly accepted the provisions of said chapter 159, and all the conditions prescribed therein having been performed, which under its terms are necessary in order to render it fully effective; and

Whereas, There is also now pending in the General Court a bill numbered House 722, entitled "An Act to provide for the assumption of subway rentals by the communities served by the

Boston Elevated Railway Company," a copy of which is herewith submitted, and which also refers to said chapter 159, and likewise proceeds upon the assumption that said chapter 159 is constitutional and wholly operative; and

Whereas, There are other bills pending before the General Court, — to wit: — Senate bills numbered 52 and 287, and House bills numbered 721, 1351 and 1352, — copies of which are hereto annexed, which cannot be intelligently acted upon unless the General Court is authoritatively advised relative to the constitutionality of said chapter 159; therefore be it

Ordered, That the Senate require the opinions of the Honorable the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court upon the following important questions of law: —

(1) Would said Senate Bill No. 54 be constitutional if enacted?

(2) Would said House Bill No. 722 be constitutional if enacted?

(3) Is the whole or any part of said chapter 159 unconstitutional?

(4) Is any part, or are any parts, of said chapter 159 which have a direct relation to the validity of said Senate Bill No. 54 or said House Bill No. 722, unconstitutional?

By Mr. McLane, for the joint committee on Rules, that the Senate Order that the time within which joint committees are required, under the provisions of the 10th joint rule, to make final report upon all matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended to Wednesday, March 19, — ought to be adopted;

Joint committees, — reports.

Read, and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

By Mr. Weston, for the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1196) of Harry A. White relative to the election of judicial officers;

Judicial officers, — election.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1197) of Harry A. White and another relative to the recall of judicial officers;

Judicial officers, — recall.

By Mr. Reed, for the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 164) of Emil K. Steele that Allan C. Morrison be reimbursed for certain expenses incurred on account of injuries received by him in the discharge of military duties; and

Allan C. Morrison.

By Mr. Hardy of Worcester, for the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 234) of Warren E. Tarbell for a suitable recognition of soldiers and sailors and that they may receive record books, medals or other suitable tokens;

Soldiers and sailors, — suitable recognition.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Reports of a Committee on Proposals for Legislative Amendments of the Constitution.

Constitutional amendment, — restoration of annual State elections.

Mr. Weston, for the committee on Constitutional Amendments, on the petitions of William A. Knowlton and others for an amendment of the Constitution to restore annual State elections (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 55), reported, recommending, in accordance with the provisions of Joint Rule No. 23, that the amendment ought NOT to pass;

Constitutional amendment, — referendum on acts and resolves; initiative and referendum.

Mr. Walsh, for the same committee, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 96) of Francis Prescott for amendment of the Constitution further exempting acts and resolves from referendum provisions, and for perfecting and elucidating the provisions relating to the Initiative and Referendum, reported, recommending, in accordance with the provisions of Joint Rule No. 23, that the amendment ought NOT to pass;

Constitutional amendment, — exclusion of aliens from holding certain offices.

The same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 466) of Michael J. Reidy for an amendment of the Constitution preventing certain aliens from holding offices of honor, trust or profit within the Commonwealth, reported, recommending, in accordance with the provisions of Joint Rule No. 23, that the amendment ought NOT to pass;

Severally read and placed on file, in accordance with the requirements of Joint Rule No. 23.

Petition.

West Stockbridge, — indebtedness.

Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden presented a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 358) of William W. Bartlett that the town of West Stockbridge be authorized to incur certain indebtedness; and the petition was referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. McLane, to the committee on Municipal Finance.

Sent down for concurrence.

Order.

Committee on Agriculture, — travel.

Mr. Colburn offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the towns of Warwick and Orange, on or before March 22nd.

Order Adopted.

Committee on Towns, — travel.

On motion of Mr. Tarbell, —

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Towns is authorized to visit in the discharge of its duties the town of West Stockbridge be extended to March 22.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Relative to repairs of school-houses in the city of Newton (House, No. 575, on the petition of Philip Nichols);

Relative to the salary of the mayor of the city of Newton (House, No. 576, on the petition of Edwin O. Childs);

To authorize the city of Cambridge to pay a pension to Ferdinand M. Buffum (House, No. 908, changed, — on the petition of Frederic F. Clauss);

Relative to the board of art commissioners of the city of Boston (House, No. 1027, on the petition of Alexander White-side);

To authorize the city of Malden to pay a pension to Bartholomew O'Brien (House, No. 1394, changed, — on the petition of the mayor of said city);

To authorize the city of Revere to pay an annuity to the widow of James Gibbons (House, No. 1395, changed, — on the petition of the mayor of said city and another);

To authorize the city of Cambridge to pension John McElligott (House, No. 1432, — on the petition of John A. Kelleher, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1278);

Authorizing the city of Pittsfield to pay certain sums of money to the widows of Frank Condron and Michael Bartell (House, No. 1448, — on the petition of John G. Orr, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1315);

To provide for biennial elections in the city of Somerville (House, No. 1449, — on the petition of Warren C. Daggett and another, accompanied by bill, House, No. 108); and

To establish the compensation of the members of the board of aldermen of the city of Chicopee (House, No. 1453, — on the petition of James C. Buckley and others, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1193);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Reports

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 906) of Harvey E. Sleeper relative to the restriction of sale of farm produce in the city of Boston;

Of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 6) of Thomas A. Niland for the election of a school-committee in the city of Boston to consist of one member from each ward of said city;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, no legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the Commissioner of Standards (House, No. 441) as relates to the sealing of bottles, pipettes and other measures (accompanied by bill, House, No. 443);

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 954) of Albert L. Whitman that theatres, halls and other places of amusement be placed under the jurisdiction of police departments;

Newton, — repairs to school-houses.

Newton, — salary of mayor.

Cambridge, — pension to Ferdinand M. Buffum.

Boston, — art commissioners.

Malden, — pension to Bartholomew O'Brien.

Revere, — widow of James Gibbons.

Cambridge, — pension to John McElligott.

Pittsfield, — widows of Frank Condron and Michael Bartell.

Somerville, — biennial elections.

Chicopee, — compensation of board of aldermen.

Boston, — sale of farm produce.

Boston school-committee, — election by wards.

Bottles, pipettes and other measures, — sealing.

Police departments, — supervision of theatres and halls.

Boiler makers
and repairers,
— licenses.

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1075) of Thomas A. Niland relative to the licensing of manufacturers and repairers of boilers;

Metropolitan
Park Com-
mission, —
salaries of
employees.

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1227) of John P. Englert and others that the salaries of the employees of the Metropolitan Park Commission be established;

Public service
corporations,
— approval
of changes
in charges.

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 42) of Ernest A. Larocque relative to the approval by cities and towns of changes in the charges or service of public service corporations; and

Assessors,
— filing of
tax returns.

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1261) of George M. Worrall relative to the filing of tax returns with assessors of cities and towns;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Agricultural
resources, —
development
commission.

A Report of the committee on Agriculture, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 102) of Roland D. Sawyer for a board or commission to develop and utilize the agricultural resources of the Commonwealth, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Reconstruction, — was read and accepted, in concurrence.

Embargo on
goods of
American
manufacture.

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to Resolutions protesting against the establishment of an embargo on goods of American manufacture by the British government (House, No. 1368); and, accordingly, under the said rule, the resolutions were referred to the next General Court.

Boston, —
widow of
Charles E.
Deininger.

The following House petitions were referred, in concurrence: —

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1421) of James J. Mulvey that the city of Boston be authorized to pay an annuity to the widow of Charles E. Deininger;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Cities.

Soldiers and
sailors, —
county
employees'
retirement
system.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1436) of the County of Worcester Retirement Board that the benefits of retirement systems for county employees be preserved for employees in the military or naval service of the United States;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Counties.

Cinemat-
ographs, —
cellulose
acetate films.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1396) of David S. Beyer relative to the use of cinematographs and similar apparatus;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Patrick E.
Barry, —
metropolitan
park pension.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1419) of Daniel J. Hayden that the Metropolitan Park Commission be authorized

to pension Patrick E. Barry under provisions of law enacted after his retirement;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1438) of Joseph L. Whiton, mayor, that the city of Quincy be authorized to establish a hospital; Quincy, — municipal hospital.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Municipal Finance.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1439) of Alonzo B. Cook relative to the appointment and compensation of the supervisors of accounts in the office of the Auditor of the Commonwealth; Auditor of the Commonwealth, — supervisors of accounts.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Public Service.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1440) of William W. Ollendorff that the Secretary of the Commonwealth supply the town of Medway with certain books and public documents; Medway, — certain books and public documents.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Towns.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1441) of E. K. Bowser and others for the payment of a sum of money to the widow of John Bush of Wakefield; Widow of John Bush of Wakefield.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1442) of Davis B. Keniston that Margaret L. Sherwood be compensated for the death of her son, Roswell B. Stevens, which resulted from injuries received while in the employ of the State Department of Health; Margaret L. Sherwood, — death of Roswell B. Stevens.

Severally, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, in each instance, to the joint committee on Ways and Means.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Authorizing the town of Wellesley to pay the cost of insuring the lives of its residents in war service; Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

To authorize the city of Boston to retire and pension Hugh H. McNerlin;

Relative to county tuberculosis hospitals;

To authorize the city of Everett to pay a pension to Lindley R. Woods; and

Revoking certain rights of Alexander K. Crocker to take alewives from Mill River in the town of Sandwich.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Motor-vehicles,
— operation.

The Senate Bill relative to the operation of motor-vehicles (Senate, No. 340), — was considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading.

The Senate adopted the following amendment, previously moved by Mr. Hobbs, — striking out, in line 6, the word “any motor-vehicle be operated”, and inserting in place thereof the words “the owner or custodian of any motor-vehicle permit the same to be operated or to remain.”

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

Towns, —
manner of
appropriating
money.

The House Report of the committee on Municipal Finance, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 502) of George W. Searle and another relative to the manner of appropriating money by towns, — was accepted, in concurrence.

Motherless
dependent
children.
Point of
order.

The Senate Bill to provide for suitably aiding motherless dependent children (Senate, No. 212), — was read a second time.

Mr. Weston rose to a point of order, which, being stated, was that under Senate Rule No. 27 the bill should have been referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

Ruling by
President.

The President ruled that the point of order was well taken; and the bill was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

State em-
ployees, —
retirement.

The Senate Bill relative to the retirement of members of the State Retirement Association upon reaching the age of seventy years (Senate, No. 357), — was read a second time; and the Senate refused to order it to a third reading.

State sanatoria,
— rate of board.

The Bill to change the rate of board at the North Reading, Lakeville, Westfield and Rutland State Sanatoria from four dollars a week to five dollars a week (printed as House, No. 866), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Cronin, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday.

Bills.

The bills

Extending the time during which the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game may lease Tisbury Great Pond for the cultivation of fish (House, No. 1426); and

Providing a penalty for assisting in the escape of patients from certain institutions (House, No. 1445);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

House bills.

The House bills

To authorize the city of Medford to incur additional indebtedness for reconstructing certain streets (House, No. 165, changed);

To authorize the Metropolitan Park Commission to appoint Augustus C. Holton as a permanent police officer (House, No. 789);

To authorize Radcliffe College to hold additional property (House, No. 1422); and

Relative to filing with the Insurance Commissioner statements showing the financial condition of the State retirement system (House, No. 1423) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Bill relative to collectors of taxes (House, No. 1420), — was read a third time. On motion of Mr. Reed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Friday. Collectors of taxes.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 68) of James D. Henderson that the salary of the Bank Commissioner be established; Senate reports.

Of the joint committee on Ways and Means, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 250) of Albert Birch relative to the purchase of supplies, material and machinery by State boards and commissions; and

Of the joint committee on Ways and Means, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 279) of Augustus P. Loring that provision be made for the publication of the reports of contested elections;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House Report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 218) of John J. Mahoney that the city of Boston be authorized to pension Bernard J. Kelley, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Friday, on motion of Mr. Mahoney. Boston, —
Bernard J.
Kelley.

The House reports

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 741) of Matthew A. Higgins that the city of Taunton be authorized to use as a playground certain land donated for cemetery purposes; House reports.

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 586) of Eden K. Bowser that the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game be authorized to regulate the taking of pickerel from Lake Quannapowitt in the town of Wakefield; and

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 81) of the selectmen of the town of Millbury and others for the dredging and deepening of the channel of the Blackstone River;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Curtin, at twenty-seven minutes past three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, March 13, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*Savings banks,
— holding of
certain secu-
rities for safe-
keeping.

By Mr. Sullivan, for the committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of Carl C. Emery (accompanied by bill, House, No. 728); and on the abstract of the annual statement of the Bank Commissioner (Pub. Doc. No. 8), a Bill authorizing savings banks to hold for safe-keeping any securities issued by the United States (Senate, No. 363);

Boston, —
Matthew H.
McEttrick.

By Mr. Foley, for the committee on Cities, on the petition of Daniel J. Gillen and another, a Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pension Matthew H. McEttrick (printed as House, No. 1342);

Boston, —
Jeremiah J.
Crowley.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of Francis B. McKinney, a Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay a pension to Jeremiah J. Crowley (printed as House, No. 1393);

Primaries,
caucuses and
elections, —
amendment
of laws.

By Mr. Hobbs, for the committee on Election Laws, on the petitions of Clarence W. Hobbs, Jr. (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 141); of Arthur L. Nason (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 143); and of Augustus P. Loring (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 179), a Bill in amendment of the laws relative to primaries, caucuses and elections (Senate, No. 360);

Snare, —
penalty for
setting.

By Mr. Prescott, for the committee on Fisheries and Game, on the recommendations of the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game (House, No. 873), in part, (see House, No. 887), a Bill changing the penalty for setting snares (Senate, No. 362);

Dentistry.

By Mr. Chamberlain, for the committee on Public Health, on the petition of C. Wesley Hale (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 156); and on the recommendations of the Board of Dental Examiners (House, No. 1179) (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1180), a Bill regulating the practice of dentistry (Senate, No. 156, — changed by the committee in section 4, by striking out the last clause thereof, beginning with the word "Third".); and

Dracut Water
Supply
District.

By Mr. Nason, for the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of Walter F. Garland and another (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 172), a Bill to authorize the Dracut Water Supply District to extend its boundary (Senate, No. 359);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Merrimaack
River, —
fishways.

By Mr. Prescott, for the committee on Fisheries and Game, on the petition of Arthur W. Colburn, a Bill to provide for the

construction of fishways on the Merrimack River at Lawrence and Lowell (Senate, No. 181); and

By Mr. Hobbs, for the committee on Railroads, on the petition of J. H. Hustis and Woodward Hudson (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 90), a Resolve to provide for refunding a sum of money to the Boston and Maine Railroad, paid by it to the Commonwealth through error (Senate, No. 361);

Boston and
Maine Rail-
road, — re-
funding of
certain money.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Cavanagh, for the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 190) of Arthur L. Nason that the public be protected against the financial irresponsibility of operators of motor-vehicles;

Motor-vehicles,
— financial ir-
responsibility
of operators.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 261) of Leland Powers relative to providing security to the public for injuries and damage caused by motor-vehicles;

Motor-vehicles,
— security
against injury
and damage.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 607) of Albert R. Kerr that jewelers, watchmakers and silversmiths have a lien on articles left in their possession;

Jewelers,
watchmakers
and silver-
smiths, —
lien on
articles.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 935) of Renton Whidden relative to the incorporation of labor-unions;

Labor-unions,
— incorpora-
tion.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1214) of Elliott B. Church relative to admission to the bar of attorneys-at-law; and

Attorneys-at-
law, — admis-
sion to bar.

By Mr. Hobbs, for the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1298) of The Dorchester Board of Trade for a physical connection between the Shawmut branch of the Old Colony Railroad Company and the Midland division of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company;

Old Colony
Railroad, —
connecting
Shawmut
branch with
Midland divi-
sion of New
York, New
Haven and
Hartford
Railroad.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Committee Discharged.

Mr. Nichols, for the committee on Taxation, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 835) of Frank W. Thayer for legislation to regulate advertising in public places, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Legal Affairs.

Advertising
in public
places.

The report was read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Petitions.

Mr. Jackson presented a petition of John P. O'Connell and others in aid of the petition of William A. Knowlton and others for an amendment of the Constitution to restore annual State elections; and the petition was placed on file.

Constitutional
amendment, —
restoration of
annual State
elections.

Boston, —
reinstatement
of Dennis D.
Driscoll.

Mr. McLane presented a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 364) of Michael O'Donnell and another that the city of Boston be authorized to reinstate Dennis D. Driscoll as deputy commissioner of the penal institutions department of said city; and the petition was referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by the same Senator, to the committee on Cities.

Sent down for concurrence.

Orders.

Committee on
Cities, —
travel.

Mr. Jackson offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —
Ordered, That the committee on Cities be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the cities of Lawrence and Taunton on or before March 28th.

Committee on
Public Service,
— travel.

Mr. Hastings offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —
Ordered, That the committee on Public Service be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the town of Framingham, on or before March 21.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Pittsfield, —
pay of certain
members of
police depart-
ment.

Authorizing the city of Pittsfield to pay certain members of its police department for volunteer services (House, No. 1463, — on the petition of John G. Orr, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1314); and

Birds and
animals, —
traps, nets
and snares.

Relative to the use of traps, nets and snares for the taking of birds and animals (House, No. 1464, — on the recommendations of the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game, House, No. 873, in part, see House, No. 893);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Reports

Boston, —
use of shingles.

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 791) of Frank W. Thayer relative to the use of shingles in the city of Boston;

Boston and
Cambridge, —
maintenance of
bridges.

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1229) of Lucien D. Fuller that the expenses of constructing and maintaining bridges between the cities of Boston and Cambridge be shared by other cities and towns;

Of the committee on Municipal Finance, leave to withdraw:

New Bedford,
— indebtedness
for a hospital.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 657) of the Textile Council of the Central Labor Union and the Building Trades Council of New Bedford and others that the city of New Bedford be authorized to borrow money for the construction of a city hospital; and

Id.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1096) of Alfred M. Bessette that the city of New Bedford be authorized to borrow money for the construction of a city hospital;

Of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 17) of M. F. O'Brien, president of the Federation of State, City and Town Employees' Unions, relative to the amount of pension or annuity payable to retired municipal employees; and Retired municipal employees, — pensions.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 707) of James H. Wilkins relative to the care and maintenance of dependent poor in certain towns; and Dependent poor in towns, — care.

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1007) of Frank B. Phinney relative to the surrender and abandonment of street railway locations in cities and towns in certain cases; Street railway companies, — abandonment of locations.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

A Report of the committee on Reconstruction, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 291) of Peter F. Sullivan that preference in public employment be given to persons who have been honorably discharged from the military, naval or marine service of the United States in the present war; the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 292) of Warren E. Tarbell that disabled soldiers be eligible for appointment in classified civil service positions; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 37) of Thomas A. Niland that preference be given to war veterans in examinations for positions in the civil service; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 38) of Charles A. Kelley that preference be given in all public employment and in civil service examinations to war veterans; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1124) of Michael J. Reidy that veterans of the Spanish and European wars be given certain preferences in civil service examinations; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1125) of Daniel J. Gillen relative to granting preferences in civil service examinations to veterans of the European war; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1242) of Robert E. Bigney relative to the definition of the word "veteran" in the laws relative to the civil service; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1243) of John J. Carey that the provisions of the civil service law relative to preference to veterans be extended to veterans of the European war, and recommending that the same be severally referred to the committees on Reconstruction and Public Service, sitting jointly, — was read and accepted, in concurrence. Soldiers and sailors, — preference in the civil service.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the House) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

To permit the spearing of eels and carp;

Relative to the tenure of office of the clerk to the city of Medford; and

Relative to the payment of salaries in the police and fire departments of the city of Beverly.

Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Armories.

The Senate Bill relative to the use of armories provided for the militia (Senate, No. 63, changed), — was considered; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Sullivan.

**Boston,
Chelsea,
Everett and
Winthrop, —
bridges.**

The Senate Bill relative to the cost of construction and maintenance of the bridges between the cities of Boston, Chelsea and Everett and the town of Winthrop (printed as House, No. 968), — was rejected, as had been recommended by the committee on Municipal Finance.

Bills.

The bills

Authorizing the city of Boston to improve the East Boston ferry service (Senate, No. 155, changed);

To authorize the city of New Bedford to incur indebtedness for the purpose of renovating, reconstructing, rebuilding, equipping and furnishing the old high school, so called (Senate, No. 235);

To authorize the city of New Bedford to incur further indebtedness for the purpose of purchasing land and constructing and furnishing school-houses (Senate, No. 236);

To authorize the city of New Bedford to incur indebtedness for the purpose of sewer construction (Senate, No. 238);

Relative to repairs of school-houses in the city of Newton (House, No. 575);

Relative to the salary of the mayor of the city of Newton (House, No. 576);

To authorize the city of Cambridge to pay a pension to Ferdinand M. Buffum (House, No. 908, changed);

Relative to the board of art commissioners of the city of Boston (House, No. 1027);

To authorize the city of Malden to pay a pension to Bartholomew O'Brien (House, No. 1394, changed);

To authorize the city of Revere to pay an annuity to the widow of James Gibbons (House, No. 1395, changed);

To establish the office of messenger to the probate court and court of insolvency for the county of Suffolk (House, No. 1427);

Fixing the time and place for holding probate court in the county of Franklin (House, No. 1428);

To authorize the city of Cambridge to pension John McElligott (House, No. 1432);

Authorizing the city of Pittsfield to pay certain sums of money to the widows of Frank Condon and Michael Bartell (House, No. 1448);

To provide for biennial elections in the city of Somerville (House, No. 1449); and

To establish the compensation of the members of the board of aldermen of the city of Chicopee (House, No. 1453);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The House bills

Relative to the licensing of insurance adjusters (House, No. 384); and

Extending the time during which the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game may lease Tisbury Great Pond for the cultivation of fish (House, No. 1426);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Bill relative to the licensing of insurance agents (House, No. 385), — was read a third time. Mr. Counihan, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by inserting after the word "broker", in line 48, the words "or officer of a domestic insurance company acting in the negotiation or transaction of any insurance which his company may lawfully do".

Insurance
agents.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill relative to the licensing of insurance brokers (House, No. 386), — was read a third time and was amended, on motion of Mr. Beck, by striking out, in lines 53, 54, 55 and 56 (as changed), the words "or sailor resident in this Commonwealth who served in the war of the rebellion and received an honorable discharge or release, if he presents to the Commissioner satisfactory evidence of his identity.", and inserting in place thereof the words "sailor or marine resident in this Commonwealth who has served in the army or navy of the United States in time of war or insurrection and received an honorable discharge therefrom or release from active duty therein, if he presents to the Commissioner satisfactory evidence of his identity."

Insurance
brokers.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill providing a penalty for assisting in the escape of patients from certain institutions (House, No. 1445), — was read a third time. Mr. Counihan, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out, in lines 6 and 7, the words "designated in section seven", and inserting in place thereof the words "under the supervision of the Commission on Mental Diseases."

Escape of
patients from
institutions,
— penalty for
assisting.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1196) of Harry A. White relative to the election of judicial officers;

Senate reports.

Of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1197) of Harry A. White and another relative to the recall of judicial officers;

Senate reports.

Of the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 234) of Warren E. Tarbell for a suitable recognition of soldiers and sailors and that they may receive record books, medals or other suitable tokens; and

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 164) of Emil K. Steele that Allan C. Morrison be reimbursed for certain expenses incurred on account of injuries received by him in the discharge of military duties;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House reports

House reports.

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 906) of Harvey E. Sleeper relative to the restriction of sale of farm produce in the city of Boston;

Of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 6) of Thomas A. Niland for the election of a school-committee in the city of Boston to consist of one member from each ward of said city;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, no legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the Commissioner of Standards (House, No. 441) as relates to the sealing of bottles, pipettes and other measures (accompanied by bill, House, No. 443);

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 954) of Albert L. Whitman that theatres, halls and other places of amusement be placed under the jurisdiction of police departments;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1075) of Thomas A. Niland relative to the licensing of manufacturers and repairers of boilers;

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1227) of John P. Englert and others that the salaries of the employees of the Metropolitan Park Commission be established;

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 42) of Ernest A. Larocque relative to the approval by cities and towns of changes in the charges or service of public service corporations; and

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1261) of George M. Worrall relative to the filing of tax returns with assessors of cities and towns;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Brown, at twenty minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

FRIDAY, March 14, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Jackson, for the committee on Cities, on the petition of the Massachusetts Permanent Firemen's Association (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 56), a Bill to provide for the division into day and night forces of permanent members of fire departments (Senate, No. 365) (Mr. Woodill, of the House, dissenting); and

Fire departments, —
day and night
forces.

By Mr. Churchill, for the committee on Education, on the petition of Harold L. Perrin, a Resolve relative to the introduction of educational work into State hospitals (Senate, No. 139, — changed by the committee by striking out the last two paragraphs);

State hospitals,
— educational
work.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Hastings, for the committee on Public Service, on the petition of Walter E. McLane, a Bill relative to the number of doorkeepers, assistant doorkeepers, messengers and pages of the General Court (Senate, No. 319);

General Court,
— doorkeepers,
messengers
and pages.

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Jackson, for the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 314) of Elmer C. Blanding that the two-platoon system be established in the fire department of the city of Quincy;

Quincy, —
two-platoon
system in fire
department.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 455) of Michael J. Reidy for the establishment of the two-platoon system in the fire department of the city of Boston;

Boston, —
two-platoon
system in fire
department.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 736) of the Chicopee Permanent Firemen's Benefit Association and others for the establishment of the two-platoon system in the city of Chicopee;

Chicopee, —
two-platoon
system in fire
department.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1195) of Andrew P. Doyle relative to the establishment of the two-platoon system in the fire department of the city of New Bedford;

New Bedford,
— two-platoon
system in fire
department.

By Mr. Chamberlain, for the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 221) of Albert Birch relative to the office of secretary of school-committees;

School-com-
mittees, —
secretary.

Middlesex
County, —
sittings of
Superior Court
for criminal
business.

Stenographic
transcripts, —
admission as
evidence.

Attorneys, —
acceptance of
law suits from
solicitors.

Committee on
Waterways and
Terminals, —
travel.

By Mr. Loring, for the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 258) of Nathan A. Tufts relative to the sittings of the Superior Court for criminal business in the county of Middlesex;

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 755) of Horace A. Edgecomb relative to the admission of stenographic transcripts as evidence in the courts of the Commonwealth; and

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1053) of Jerome A. Petitti and others that attorneys be prohibited from accepting law suits from solicitors of criminal or civil actions;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

By Mr. Eames, for the joint committee on Rules, that the Senate Order that the committee on Waterways and Terminals be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the cities of Boston and Quincy on or before March 24th, — ought to be adopted;

Read, and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Reconsideration.

Boston,
Chelsea,
Everett and
Winthrop, —
bridges.

On motion of Mr. Halliwell, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had rejected the Senate Bill relative to the cost of construction and maintenance of the bridges between the cities of Boston, Chelsea and Everett and the town of Winthrop (printed as House, No. 968). On the recurring question the Senate refused to reject the bill; and, accordingly, under the rule, it was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Order.

Mr. Chamberlain offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —

Committee on
Public Health,
— travel.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, Spectacle Island, Boston, and the Taunton River, on or before March 28th.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Coke, charcoal
and kindling-
wood, — sale
in paper bags.

Relative to the sale of coke, charcoal and kindling-wood (House, No. 486, changed, — on the petition of Edward F. Harrington); and

Museum of
Fine Arts, —
additional
property.

To authorize the Museum of Fine Arts to hold additional real and personal estate (House, No. 488, on the petition of William H. Dunbar);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Reports

Of the committee on Agriculture, no legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the State Forester (House, No. 897) as relates to the disposal of slash or brush following wood or lumber operations (accompanied by bill, House, No. 898);

Woodland, — disposal of slash or brush.

Of the committee on Municipal Finance, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 111) of Charles J. Hodsdon, for the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor, that cities and towns be authorized to grant land for homestead purposes in times of war, public exigency, emergency or distress;

Homesteads, — granting of land by cities and towns.

Of the committee on Public Institutions, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 508) of James G. Moran that cities and towns be reimbursed for expenses incurred in sending State paupers to State institutions; and

State paupers, — expenses of cities and towns.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 975) of Harvey W. Monson and others relative to the purchase for use at public institutions of articles produced by the blind;

Public institutions, — use of articles made by blind persons.

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 66) of James D. Henderson that the salary of the Treasurer and Receiver-General be established;

Treasurer and Receiver-General, — salary.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 67) of James D. Henderson that the salary of the Auditor of the Commonwealth be established;

Auditor of the Commonwealth, — salary.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 127) of Harry B. Kollock and others that mileage be included in the necessary expenses of certain special district police officers; and

District police, — mileage of special officers.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 981) of John I. Fitzgerald that the compensation of John J. Gillespie, an employee of the county of Suffolk in the house of correction at Deer Island, be increased;

John J. Gillespie, — compensation.

Of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 714) of the selectmen of the town of Watertown that the inspection of wires in buildings and of plumbing in said town be placed under the control of the inspector of buildings;

Watertown, — inspector of buildings.

Of the joint committee on Ways and Means, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 307) of Clarence Carvill for compensation for certain property claimed to have been taken from him by the Commonwealth by mistake; and

Clarence Carvill, — compensation for property.

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1133) of Martin Hays relative to the abolition of the office of the Deputy Auditor having charge of the budget system;

Budget system, — Deputy Auditor.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

A Report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1385) of Clarence P. Kidder that provision be made for the construction of a memorial bridge

Boston and Cambridge, — memorial bridge.

over the Charles River between Boston and Cambridge, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, — was read and accepted, in concurrence.

Charles H.
Chase.

Notice was received from the House that the Resolve in favor of Charles H. Chase of Northampton (House, No. 444, introduced on leave), — had been rejected by the House.

Norfolk
County, —
new bridge
over Monat-
iquot River in
Braintree.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1466) of the county commissioners and others that the county of Norfolk be authorized to incur additional indebtedness for the construction of a new bridge over the Monatiquot River in the town of Braintree; and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Counties.

Wakefield, —
school
buildings.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1479) of the selectmen of the town of Wakefield that said town be authorized to incur indebtedness for school buildings; and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Municipal Finance.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To require the membership of a county commissioner on boards of trustees for county aid to agriculture;

Relative to the authority of officers of domestic insurance companies;

To authorize the city of Brockton to pay a pension to William W. Thompson;

To enable the Boston Five Cents Savings Bank to purchase and hold additional real estate; and

Increasing the term for which the city of Cambridge may lease certain land bordering on the Charles River for wharves, terminals or other commercial purposes.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Collectors of
taxes.

The House Bill relative to collectors of taxes (House, No. 1420), — was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Boston, —
Bernard J.
Kelley.

The House Report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 218) of John J. Mahoney that the city of Boston be authorized to pension Bernard J. Kelley, — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Mahoney, the report was amended by substituting a "Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pension Bernard J. Kelley" (Senate, No. 218); and the bill was read and, under the rule, was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

The bills

Regulating the practice of dentistry (Senate, No. 156, Bills changed);

To authorize the Dracut Water Supply District to extend its boundary (Senate, No. 359);

In amendment of the laws relative to primaries, caucuses and elections (Senate, No. 360);

Changing the penalty for setting snares (Senate, No. 362);

Authorizing savings banks to hold for safe-keeping any securities issued by the United States (Senate, No. 363);

To authorize the city of Boston to pension Matthew H. Mc-
Ettrick (printed as House, No. 1342);

To authorize the city of Boston to pay a pension to Jeremiah J. Crowley (printed as House, No. 1393);

Authorizing the city of Pittsfield to pay certain members of its police department for volunteer services (House, No. 1463); and

Relative to the use of traps, nets and snares for the taking of birds and animals (House, No. 1464);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bills

To authorize the city of Boston to raise money for the purpose of improving the East Boston ferry service (Senate, No. 155, changed) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); Senate bills.

To authorize the city of New Bedford to incur indebtedness relative to the old high school, so called (Senate, No. 235) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

To authorize the city of New Bedford to incur further indebtedness for the purpose of purchasing land and constructing and furnishing school-houses (Senate, No. 236); and

To authorize the city of New Bedford to incur indebtedness for the purpose of sewer construction (Senate, No. 238);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill relative to the operation of motor-vehicles (Senate, No. 340), — was read a third time, as previously amended. Mr. Counihan, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 367). Motor-vehicles,
— operation.

This amendment was adopted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 367), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The House Bill relative to the election of certain Trustees of Tufts College (House, No. 578, changed), — was read a third time. Mr. Counihan, for the committee on Bills in the Third Tufts College,
— election of
certain
trustees.

Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 366).

This amendment was adopted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 366), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The House bills

House bills.

Relative to repairs of school-houses in the city of Newton (House, No. 575);

Relative to the salary of the mayor of the city of Newton (House, No. 576);

To authorize the city of Cambridge to retire and pension Ferdinand M. Buffum (House, No. 908, changed) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Relative to the board of art commissioners of the city of Boston (House, No. 1027);

To authorize the city of Malden to pension Bartholomew O'Brien (House, No. 1394, changed) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

To authorize the city of Revere to pay an annuity to the widow of James Gibbons (House, No. 1395, changed);

To establish the office of messenger to the probate court and court of insolvency for the county of Suffolk (House, No. 1427);

Fixing the time and place for holding probate court in the county of Franklin (House, No. 1428);

To authorize the city of Cambridge to retire and pension John McElligott (House, No. 1432) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

To establish the compensation of the members of the board of aldermen of the city of Chicopee (House, No. 1453);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Motor-vehicles, — financial ir- responsibility of operators.

The Senate Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 190) of Arthur L. Nason that the public be protected against the financial irresponsibility of operators of motor-vehicles, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Cavanagh.

Motor-vehicles, — security against injury and damage.

The Senate Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 261) of Leland Powers relative to providing security to the public for injuries and damage caused by motor-vehicles, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Cavanagh.

Old Colony Railroad, — connecting Shawmut branch with

The Senate Report of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1298) of The Dorchester Board of Trade for a physical

connection between the Shawmut branch of the Old Colony Railroad Company and the Midland division of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was recommended to the said committee, on motion of Mr. Winchester.

Midland division of New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad.

The Senate reports

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 607) of Albert R. Kerr that jewelers, watchmakers and silversmiths have a lien on articles left in their possession;

Senate reports.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 935) of Renton Whidden relative to the incorporation of labor-unions; and

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1214) of Elliott B. Church relative to admission to the bar of attorneys-at-law;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1229) of Lucien D. Fuller that the expenses of constructing and maintaining bridges between the cities of Boston and Cambridge be shared by other cities and towns, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Wednesday, on motion of Mr. Counihan.

Boston and Cambridge, — maintenance of bridges.

The House Report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1007) of Frank B. Phinney relative to the surrender and abandonment of street railway locations in cities and towns in certain cases, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Reed.

Street railway companies, — abandonment of locations.

The House reports

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 791) of Frank W. Thayer relative to the use of shingles in the city of Boston;

House reports.

Of the committee on Municipal Finance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 657) of the Textile Council of the Central Labor Union and the Building Trades Council of New Bedford and others that the city of New Bedford be authorized to borrow money for the construction of a city hospital;

Of the committee on Municipal Finance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1096) of Alfred M. Bessette that the city of New Bedford be authorized to borrow money for the construction of a city hospital;

House reports.

Of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 17) of M. F. O'Brien, president of the Federation of State, City and Town Employees' Unions, relative to the amount of pension or annuity payable to retired municipal employees; and

Of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 707) of James H. Wilkins relative to the care and maintenance of dependent poor in certain towns;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Loring, at fourteen minutes before twelve o'clock A.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, March 17, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Curtin, for the committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of the Massachusetts Savings Banks Association and another, a Bill to authorize trust companies having savings departments, savings banks and institutions for savings to place deposits on interest monthly (printed as House, No. 567);

Deposits in banks, — monthly interest.

By Mr. Halliwell, for the committee on Municipal Finance, on the petition of Clifton Loring, a Bill in relation to the issue of bonds of the city of Boston to provide for the cost of work preliminary to the construction of the additional station in the Boylston Street subway (Senate, No. 239, — changed by the committee in section 1, by inserting after the word "city", in line 6, the words "to an amount not exceeding ten thousand dollars");

Boston, — additional station in Boylston Street subway.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of Ralph Adams Cram and John J. Walsh (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 240), a Bill to provide for improvements in the north end of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 373);

Boston, — improvements in north end.

By Mr. Beck, for the committee on Public Lighting, on the petition of Clinton Q. Richmond and another (accompanied by bill, House, No. 139), a Bill to authorize the Berkshire Street Railway Company to sell electricity for certain purposes (Senate, No. 374); and

Berkshire Street Railway Company, — sale of electricity.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of Francis P. McKeon, a Bill to provide that increases in the price of gas and electricity shall not be made unless approved by the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners (printed as House, No. 282);

Gas and electricity, — increases in price.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Smith, for the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, on the abstract of the annual report of the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board (House, No. 1310) (in part), a Bill to authorize the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board to provide an additional supply of water for the town of Lexington (Senate, No. 368);

Lexington, — additional water supply by Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the abstract of the annual report of the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board (House, No. 1310) (in part), a Bill to authorize the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board to provide an additional water supply for the town of Milton and the Hyde Park district of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 369);

Milton and Hyde Park, — additional water supply by Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board.

East Boston, —
additional
main for
water supply
by Metropolitan
Water and
Sewerage
Board.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of Edward J. Cox, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1087; and on the abstract of the annual report of the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board (House, No. 1310) (in part), a Bill to enable the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board to provide an additional water main for the supply of the East Boston district of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 370);

Improvement
of natural
resources, —
production of
food, and
employment
and farming
lands.

By Mr. Loring, for the committee on Reconstruction, on the petitions of Roland D. Sawyer (accompanied by bill, House, No. 102); of Wilfrid Wheeler (accompanied by bill, House, No. 290); and of Augustus P. Loring (accompanied by bill, House, No. 818), a Bill to provide for the use and improvement of the natural resources of the Commonwealth, the production of food, and employment and farming lands, for persons who have served in the armed forces of the United States, and others (Senate, No. 371);

Disabled
soldiers and
sailors, —
training.

By Mr. Callahan, for the same committee, on the petitions of John J. Kearney and another (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 245); of Harold L. Perrin (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 246); of William H. Hearn (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 101); of Frederick S. Deitrick and others (accompanied by bill, House, No. 217); and of John P. Englert and others (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1244), a Resolve to provide for an investigation by a special commission of the question of training disabled soldiers and sailors and of related matters (Senate, No. 375); and

Needy persons,
— employment
by State
officials.

By Mr. Colburn, for the committee on Social Welfare, on the petition of J. D. Pearmain and others, a Bill relative to the employment of needy persons by the officials of State departments (printed as House, No. 830);

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Savings banks,
— monthly
payment of
interest.

By Mr. Curtin, for the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1189) of Charles S. O'Connor relative to monthly payments of interest on deposits in savings banks;

Public
garages, —
licensing.

By Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, for the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 775) of Frederick P. Glazier for the licensing of public garages;

Boston, —
price and
quality of gas.

By Mr. Beck, for the committee on Public Lighting, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 281) of The Dorchester Board of Trade relative to the price and quality of illuminating gas in the city of Boston;

Gas and
electricity, —
price and
quality.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 668) of William Plattner relative to the price and quality of gas and electricity;

Gas plants, —
value and
probable cost
of acquirement
by Common-
wealth.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the recommitted petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 803) of George A. Lancaster for the appointment of a special commission to ascertain the value of all public

and private gas plants and the probable cost to the Commonwealth of acquiring the same;

By Mr. Weston, for the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 531) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor that drawtenders and assistant drawtenders be included in the laborers' pension acts of the cities of Boston and Cambridge (Mr. Kearney, of the Senate, and Mr. Greaney, of the House, dissenting);

Boston and Cambridge, — drawtenders.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1253) of William Boyce and another relative to the registration of feeble-minded persons and to prohibiting the marriage of such persons;

Feeble-minded persons, — marriages.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1254) of R. E. Bigney for the establishment by the Commonwealth of a farm colony for mental deficient; and

Mental deficient, — farm colony.

By Mr. Colburn, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1255) of Joseph W. Proctor for a reduction in the length of service necessary for retirement of employees of the Commonwealth;

State employees, — length of service necessary for retirement.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

By Mr. Beck, for the committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches relative to the House Bill making an appropriation for aiding returned soldiers, sailors and marines in finding employment (House, No. 1331), — recommending that the House recede from its non-concurrence in the Senate amendment and concur therein with a further amendment making the former amendment read as follows: — Striking out at the end of section 1 the words "of the Governor, subject to the approval of the Council", and inserting in place thereof the words "and with the approval of a commission, to consist of the Commissioner of Labor, the Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions, the Adjutant General and six other citizens of the Commonwealth, to be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Council, for the purpose of investigating the economic and other conditions which have resulted in the non-employment of soldiers, sailors and marines, and of procuring employment for them."; and that the Senate concur therein.

Committee of conference, — appropriation for aiding returned soldiers, sailors and marines to find employment.

Read, considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Beck, and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Kearney, the House Report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 907) of Frank H. Cowin relative to the establishment of a two-platoon system in the fire department of the city of Boston and to the compensation of members of said department, — was taken from the table; and the report was accepted, in concurrence.

Boston, — two-platoon system in fire department.

Report of the Supervisor of Administration.

Supervisor of
Administration,
— delay in
printing bills
and other
documents.

A report of the Supervisor of Administration, in response to an order adopted by the Senate, relative to delay in the printing of bills and other documents, — was laid before the Senate. The report was ordered to be printed (Senate, No. 376), and was referred to the joint committee on Rules.

Sent down for concurrence in the reference.

Resolutions.

Wheat, —
cancellation
of contract
for guaranteed
price.

Mr. Kearney presented Resolutions favoring the cancellation of the contract between the farmers of the country and the United States Government as to guaranteed price of wheat (Senate, No. 372); and the same were referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by the same Senator, to the committee on Federal Relations.

Sent down for concurrence.

Communication from the Finance Commission of the City of Boston.

Fire depart-
ments, — day
and night
forces.

A communication from the Finance Commission of the city of Boston remonstrating against the passage of the Bill to provide for the division into day and night forces of permanent members of fire departments (Senate, No. 365), — was laid before the Senate; and it was placed on file.

Orders.

Committee on
Metropolitan
Affairs, —
travel.

Mr. Smith offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —

Ordered, That the committee on Metropolitan Affairs be authorized to travel, in the discharge of its duties, in the city of Boston, on or before March 20th.

Committee on
Roads and
Bridges, —
travel.

Mr. Eames offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —

Ordered, That the committee on Roads and Bridges be authorized to travel, in the discharge of its duties, within the Commonwealth, on or before March 31st.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Militia, —
allowances for
travel duty.

Relative to allowances for travel duty to members of the militia (House, No. 321, — on the recommendations of the Adjutant General, House, No. 319, in part);

Grafton State
Hospital, —
Worcester
department.

To make the Worcester department of the Grafton State Hospital a part of the Worcester State Hospital (House, No. 397, — on the recommendations of the Commission on Mental Diseases, House, No. 392, in part);

Bunker Hill
Monument,
— public
control.

To authorize the Metropolitan Park Commission to care for and maintain Bunker Hill Monument (House, No. 1389,

amended, — on the petition of James H. Brennan, accompanied by bill, House, No. 4);

To authorize the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game to lease certain ponds in the town of Wareham for the artificial propagation of alewives (House, No. 1424, amended, — on the petition of George N. Besse and another, accompanied by bill, House, No. 588); and

Authorizing the trustees of the textile schools at New Bedford, Lowell and Fall River to insure their school buildings and contents (House, No. 1455, — on the petition of Andrew P. Doyle, accompanied by bill, House, No. 158; and on the recommendations of the trustees of the Lowell Textile School, House, No. 1155, in part, see House, No. 1156); and

Resolves

Authorizing the Commissioners of the Massachusetts Nautical School to reimburse officers and cadets of the training ship "Nantucket" for certain losses sustained by them (House, No. 1454, — new draft of House, No. 1377, introduced on leave); and

In favor of the widow of Maurice W. Finn of Revere (House, No. 1456, — on the petition of Melvin B. Breath and others, accompanied by resolve, House, No. 959);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills

To establish the time for submitting the annual budget to the General Court (House, No. 98, on the petition of Edwin T. McKnight and Joseph E. Warner);

Relative to the commitment of insane persons to Gardner State Colony (House, No. 393, — on the recommendations of the Commission on Mental Diseases, House, No. 392, in part);

Relative to the appointment of the Deputy in the department of the Auditor of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1132, on the petition of Fred P. Greenwood);

To authorize the Fire District in the Town of Dalton to take and use the Windsor reservoir (House, No. 1306, on the petition of Frederick E. Crane and another);

To provide for giving persons in war service further time to file income tax returns (House, No. 1457, — on the report of the joint special recess committee on Taxation, Senate, No. 313, in part);

Relative to the identity of persons filing or failing to file income tax returns (House, No. 1458, — on the report of the joint special recess committee on Taxation, Senate, No. 313, in part);

Permitting the division of cities into convenient assessment districts (House, No. 1459, — on the petition of Alexander Whiteside, accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 169; and on the report of the joint special recess committee on Taxation, Senate, No. 313, in part); and

Relative to the use of armories for certain entertainments (House, No. 1482, — on the petition of George J. Bates, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1348); and

Alewives, —
artificial
propagation
in Wareham.

Textile schools,
— insurance
of property.

Massachusetts
Nautical
School, —
rescue work at
North End
park in Boston.

Widow of
Maurice W.
Finn of Revere.

Annual
budget, —
time of
submission.

Gardner State
Colony, —
commitments.

Budget
system, —
Deputy
Auditor.

Fire district
in Dalton, —
additional
water supply.

Veterans, —
income tax
returns.

Income tax
returns, —
identity.

Assessment
districts
in cities.

Armories, —
use for enter-
tainments.

Widow and
child of John
J. McCarthy.

A Resolve in favor of the widow and child of John J. McCarthy (House, No. 1461, — on the petition of Peter E. Walsh and others, accompanied by resolve, House, No. 719);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

European
corn borer and
other pests.

The Senate Bill relative to the suppression of the European corn borer and other insect pests and plant diseases (Senate, No. 327, amended) (its title having been changed in the House), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments in section 1, striking out, in line 9, the words "with notice to interested parties"; striking out, in lines 11, 12 and 13, the words "quarantine such town or towns or parts thereof for such periods and under such conditions as in his judgment may seem necessary", and inserting in place thereof the words "issue an order stating the insect pest or plant disease to be guarded against, and prohibiting, for such periods and under such conditions as he may deem necessary, the importation to or exportation from such town or part thereof, of any specified trees, plants, shrubs or other vegetable growths or products; and any specified containers or other articles by means of which an insect pest or plant disease is carried or is likely to be carried"; striking out, in line 14, the words "Such order of quarantine", and inserting in place thereof the words "The order aforesaid"; striking out, in line 16, the words "the quarantine", and inserting in place thereof the word "it"; and striking out the last sentence of said section.

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Colburn, and the amendments were considered forthwith and were adopted, in concurrence.

Reports

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw:

One drug
store open all
night.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 68) of Thomas A. Niland that in each city and town at least one drug store having a public telephone shall be kept open throughout the night; and

Coal, —
State purchase
and sale.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1319) of John H. Sullivan relative to the purchase of coal by the Commonwealth for sale to its inhabitants;

Soldiers and
sailors, —
honor roll.

Of the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 48) of George E. Curran that provision be made for an honor roll, or other suitable memorial, of Massachusetts men who died in the war with Germany;

Lawrence, —
expenses of
epidemic of
influenza.

Of the committee on Municipal Finance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 962) of the mayor of the city of Lawrence and another that said city be authorized to borrow money to reimburse its treasury for expenses incurred during the influenza epidemic; and

Boston, —
construction of
a new thor-
oughfare.

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 964) of William J. McDonald and others that the city of Boston construct a

public way from a point near the corner of Tremont and Eliot streets to a point near the corner of Washington and Avery streets;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

A message from His Excellency the Governor recommending a special appropriation to defray necessary expenses in connection with the return of the 26th Division, United States Army (House, No. 1483), — was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on Ways and Means.

Message from Governor, — return of the 26th Division.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1478) of the Massachusetts Highway Commission for authority to make such agreements or contracts as may be necessary to secure Federal aid in the construction of highways; and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Massachusetts Highway Commission, — Federal aid.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the House) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

To permit savings banks and savings departments of trust companies to contract for the payment of interest on certain deposits;

Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

To authorize Radcliffe College to hold additional property;

To authorize the city of Medford to incur additional indebtedness for reconstructing certain streets;

To authorize the Metropolitan Park Commission to appoint Augustus C. Holton as a permanent police officer; and

Relative to filing with the Insurance Commissioner statements showing the financial condition of the State retirement system.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Bill relative to the cost of construction and maintenance of the bridges between the cities of Boston, Chelsea and Everett and the town of Winthrop (printed as House, No. 968), — was ordered to a third reading.

Boston, Chelsea, Everett and Winthrop, — bridges.

The Senate Bill relative to the election of certain Trustees of Tufts College (Senate, No. 366), — was passed to be engrossed.

Tufts College, — election of certain trustees.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill relative to the operation of motor-vehicles (Senate, No. 367), — was considered; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Wednesday, on motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden.

Motor-vehicles, — operation.

The bills

To authorize the city of Boston to pension Bernard J. Kelley (Senate, No. 218); and

Bills.

Bill.

To authorize the Museum of Fine Arts to hold additional real and personal estate (House, No. 488); and

Resolve.

The Resolve relative to the introduction of educational work into State hospitals (Senate, No. 139, changed);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Fire departments, —
day and night
forces.

The Bill to provide for the division into day and night forces of permanent members of fire departments (Senate, No. 365), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Nichols, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Wednesday.

Coke, charcoal
and kindling-
wood, — sale
in paper bags.

The House Bill relative to the sale of coke, charcoal and kindling-wood (House, No. 486, changed), — was read a second time; and the question on ordering the bill to a third reading was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Counihan, Edward A., Jr.

Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Halliwell, John
Kearney, John J.

Messrs. Knox, Joseph O.

Mahoney, John J.
Nason, Arthur L.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 13.

NAYS.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.

Cavanagh, James F.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Eames, Edward B.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

McLane, Walter E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 15.

YEAS.

Mr. John E. Beck (present),
Mr. William J. Foley,

PAIRED.

NAYS.

Mr. Charles L. Gifford.
Mr. Malcolm E. Nichols (present). — 4.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Callahan, Edward
Chamberlain, George D.
Curtin, John A.
Jackson, George H.

Messrs. Loring, Augustus P.
McIntosh, David S.
Perrin, Harold L. — 7.

So the Senate refused to order the bill to a third reading.

Senate bills.

The Senate bills

To authorize the Dracut Water Supply District to extend its territory (Senate, No. 359) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

To authorize the city of Boston to pension Matthew H. McEttrick (printed as House, No. 1342); and

To authorize the city of Boston to pension Jeremiah J. Crowley (printed as House, No. 1393) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill authorizing savings banks to hold for safe-keeping securities issued by the United States (Senate, No. 363) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time. Mr. Counihan, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out section 2.

Savings banks,
— safe-keeping
of United
State se-
curities.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House bills

To provide for biennial elections in the city of Somerville (House, No. 1449); and

House bills.

Authorizing the city of Pittsfield to pay certain members of its police department for volunteer services (House, No. 1463);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Bill relative to the use of traps, nets and snares for the taking of birds and animals (House, No. 1464), — was read a third time. On motion of Mr. Reed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Wednesday.

Birds and
animals, —
taking in
traps, nets
and snares.

The Senate Report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 314) of Elmer C. Blanding that the two-platoon system be established in the fire department of the city of Quincy, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Jackson.

Quincy, —
two-platoon
system in fire
department.

The Senate Report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 455) of Michael J. Reidy for the establishment of the two-platoon system in the fire department of the city of Boston, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Jackson.

Boston, —
two-platoon
system in fire
department.

The Senate Report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 736) of the Chicopee Permanent Firemen's Benefit Association and others for the establishment of the two-platoon system in the city of Chicopee, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Jackson.

Chicopee, —
two-platoon
system in fire
department.

The Senate Report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1195) of Andrew P. Doyle relative to the establishment of the two-

New Bedford,
— two-platoon
system in fire
department.

platoon system in the fire department of the city of New Bedford, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Jackson.

The Senate reports

Senate reports.

Of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 221) of Albert Birch relative to the office of secretary of school-committees;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw (at his own request), on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 258) of Nathan A. Tufts relative to the sittings of the Superior Court for criminal business in the county of Middlesex;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 755) of Horace A. Edgcomb relative to the admission of stenographic transcripts as evidence in the courts of the Commonwealth; and

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1053) of Jerome A. Petitti and others that attorneys be prohibited from accepting law suits from solicitors of criminal or civil actions;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Treasurer and Receiver-General, — salary.

The House Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 66) of James D. Henderson that the salary of the Treasurer and Receiver-General be established, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Jackson.

Auditor of the Commonwealth, — salary.

The House Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 67) of James D. Henderson that the salary of the Auditor of the Commonwealth be established, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Jackson.

John J. Gillespie, — compensation.

The House Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 981) of John I. Fitzgerald that the compensation of John J. Gillespie, an employee of the county of Suffolk in the house of correction at Deer Island, be increased, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of Mr. Mahoney.

House reports.

The House reports

Of the committee on Agriculture, no legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the State Forester (House, No. 897) as relates to the disposal of slash or brush following wood or lumber operations (accompanied by bill, House, No. 898);

Of the committee on Municipal Finance, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 111) of Charles J. Hodsdon, for the Massachusetts State

Branch of the American Federation of Labor, that cities and towns be authorized to grant land for homestead purposes in times of war, public exigency, emergency or distress;

Of the committee on Public Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 508) of James G. Moran that cities and towns be reimbursed for expenses incurred in sending State paupers to State institutions;

Of the committee on Public Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 975) of Harvey W. Monson and others relative to the purchase for use at public institutions of articles produced by the blind;

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 127) of Harry B. Kollock and others that mileage be included in the necessary expenses of certain special district police officers;

Of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 714) of the selectmen of the town of Watertown that the inspection of wires in buildings and of plumbing in said town be placed under the control of the inspector of buildings;

Of the joint committee on Ways and Means, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 307) of Clarence Carvill for compensation for certain property claimed to have been taken from him by the Commonwealth by mistake; and

Of the joint committee on Ways and Means, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1133) of Martin Hays relative to the abolition of the office of the Deputy Auditor having charge of the budget system;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Walsh, at fifteen minutes past three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, March 18, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*Acts and
resolves, —
publication
in single
volume.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill to reestablish the publication of the acts and resolves in a single volume (Senate, No. 282), — ought to pass, with amendments in section 1, striking out, in line 5, the words "general and special"; and striking out, in lines 7 to 11, inclusive, the words "the Governor's Address and messages, a list of the changes of names returned during the preceding year by the probate courts, a list of the officers of the civil government of the Commonwealth,";

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading, with the amendments pending.

Textile schools,
— insurance of
school build-
ings.

By Mr. McLane, for the same committee, that the House Bill authorizing the trustees of the Textile Schools at New Bedford, Lowell and Fall River to insure their school buildings and contents (House, No. 1455), ought to pass;

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Norfolk
County, —
new bridge
over Monati-
quot River.

By Mr. McIntosh, for the committee on Counties, on the petition of the county commissioners and others of the county of Norkolk, a Bill authorizing the expenditure of an additional sum of money in the construction of a new bridge over the Monatiquot River in the town of Braintree (printed as House, No. 1466);

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Subsequently, Mr. McLane, for the committee on Ways and Means, reported that the bill ought to pass; and it was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Referendum
measures, —
submission of
arguments
to voters.

By Mr. Loring, for the committee on Election Laws, on the recommitted petitions of Frederick T. Fuller (accompanied by bill, House, No. 9); and of Charles H. Porter (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1203), a Bill to provide for the preparation and distribution to the voters of arguments for and against measures to be submitted to the people under the forty-eighth article of amendment to the Constitution (Senate, No. 377);

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Fraternal
benefit so-
cieties, —
surrender
equities.

By Mr. McLane, for the committee on Insurance, on the recommendations of the Insurance Commissioner (House, No. 362, in part, see House, No. 373), a Bill relative to surrender equities in fraternal benefit societies (Senate, No. 380);

By Mr. Hardy of Worcester, for the committee on Labor, on the petition of Edwin Mulready and others (accompanied by bill, House, No. 770), a Bill to provide for the weekly payment of wages to employees in private families (Senate, No. 379);

Employees in private families, — weekly payment of wages.

By Mr. Knox, for the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the recommitted petition of Augustus P. Loring (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 109), a Bill to enable manufacturing corporations to provide for the representation of their employees on the board of directors (Senate, No. 378); and

Manufacturing corporations, — representation of employees on board of directors.

By Mr. Hastings, for the committee on Reconstruction, on the petition of George A. Hastings (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 304), a Bill to require cities and towns to make just and adequate provision for their returning soldiers, sailors and marines (Senate, No. 383);

Soldiers, sailors and marines, — municipal provision for return.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. McLane, for the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 336) of John E. Beck for an extension of the exemption of veterans from the payment of fees or licenses as insurance agents or brokers;

Veterans, — exemption from payment of fees as insurance agents.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 752) of John W. Cronin relative to the powers of mutual insurance companies;

Mutual insurance companies.

By Mr. Callahan, for the same committee, leave to withdraw (at his own request), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1205) of Chauncey Pepin that the name of the Saint John Mutual Fraternal Benefit Association be changed;

Saint John Mutual Fraternal Benefit Association.

By Mr. Hardy of Worcester, for the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 620) of Harvey E. Frost for the establishment of an eight-hour day in all industries;

Hours of labor, — eight-hour day.

By Mr. Walsh, for the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 773) of Barnet Lerner relative to the temporary suspension of the licenses of junk-dealers; and

Junk-dealers.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 774) of Barnet Lerner that persons licensed as junk-dealers shall be legal residents;

Id.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

By Mr. Beck, for the joint committee on Rules, that the Senate Order that the committee on Metropolitan Affairs be authorized to travel, in the discharge of its duties, in the city of Boston, on or before March 20th, — ought to be adopted;

Committee on Metropolitan Affairs, — travel.

Read, and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Reconsideration.

Coke, charcoal
and kindling-
wood, — sale
in paper bags.

On motion of Mr. Halliwell, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had refused to order to a third reading the House Bill relative to the sale of coke, charcoal and kindling-wood (House, No. 486, changed). On the recurring question, the bill was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 19 to 12.

Petitions.

Taunton, —
family of Mary
Jane Flynn.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows: —

By Mr. Reed, a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 381) of the city of Taunton, by John B. Tracy, city solicitor, for an appropriation, to be paid jointly by the Commonwealth and by said city, for the relief and benefit of the family of Mary Jane Flynn; and

Widow and
family of
Allen A. David.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 382) of D. Gardiner O'Keefe and another that provision be made for the relief of the widow and family of the late Allen A. David;

Severally, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved, in each instance, by the same Senator, to the joint committee on Ways and Means.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Orders.

Mr. Nason offered the following order; and, under the rule, it was referred to the Senate committee on Rules, to wit: —

Opinion of
Attorney-
General, —
operation of
motor-vehicles.

Whereas, There are pending in the General Court a bill entitled "An Act to provide for the protection of persons and property in case of injuries due to the careless operation of motor-vehicles," numbered Senate, 190, and another entitled "An Act to provide security to the public for personal injuries caused by motor-vehicles," numbered House, 261, copies of which are hereto annexed, and

Whereas, Doubt has been raised as to the constitutionality of these bills if enacted into law, therefore be it

Ordered, That the Senate require the opinion of the Attorney-General on the following important questions of law: —

1. Would either of the aforesaid bills be unconstitutional if enacted?

2. Is it within the constitutional power of the General Court to provide by law that every licensee to operate a motor-vehicle be required to furnish security by bond, insurance policy, or otherwise, against whatever damage to persons or property may result from the operation by the licensee of such vehicle?

Mr. Brown offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —

Committee on
Harbors and
Public Lands, —
travel.

Ordered, That the committee on Harbors and Public Lands be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the cities of Lowell, Lawrence, Haverhill, Newburyport, Lynn and Worcester, on or before April 15th.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

To authorize the city of Cambridge to incur indebtedness outside the debt limit for the construction of an addition to the Cambridge City Hospital (printed as Senate, No. 268, changed, — on the petition of Edward W. Quinn, mayor);

Cambridge,
— addition to
the city
hospital.

To revive the corporation known as the Manchester Amusement Company (House, No. 1344, on the petition of Leo A. Rhodenizer and another); and

Manchester
Amusement
Company.

Relative to the publication of lists of candidates to be voted for at city elections (House, No. 1468, — on the annual report of the Secretary of the Commonwealth on the number of assessed polls, etc., abstract of Pub. Doc. No. 43);

City elections,
— publication
of lists of
candidates.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

The House Bill to establish a close season for the hunting or killing of raccoons (House, No. 591), — came up, with the endorsement that the House had non-concurred in the adoption of the Senate amendment, — in section 1, inserting after the word "kill" in line 2, the words "or have in his possession", — and had asked for a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches; and that Messrs. Smith of Provincetown, Collins of Edgartown and Bennett of Springfield, had been appointed the committee on its part.

Raccoons, —
committee of
conference.

On motions of Mr. Prescott, the Senate insisted on its amendment and concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference. Messrs. Prescott, Brown and Colburn were joined; and the bill was sent down endorsed accordingly.

Reports

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, reference to the next General Court:

On so much of the recommendations of the Bank Commissioner (House, No. 331) as relates to the investments of trust companies (accompanied by bill, House, No. 333); and

Trust companies,
— investments.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1312) of John R. Hudson relative to abolishing withdrawal charges of cooperative banks;

Coöperative
banks, —
withdrawal
charges.

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1301) of Thomas J. Corbett for a new charter for the city of Lowell;

Lowell, — new
city charter.

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, reference to the next General Court:

On the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 254) of John O. Hamilton for the construction of a barn at the Palmer fish hatchery; and

Fish hatchery
at Palmer,
— barn.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 590) of William J. Heebner and another that the taking of other game be restricted during the open season for deer;

Open season
for deer, —
taking of
other game.

Of the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court:

Disabled
soldiers and
sailors, —
pensions.

Soldiers and
sailors, —
memorial trees.

Soldiers and
sailors, —
annuities for
widows and
orphans.

Counties, —
hospital care
for consump-
tives.

Street railway
cars, —
cleaning and
disinfecting.

Abatement
of taxes.

Children under
sixteen, —
employment
certificates.

State Depart-
ment of
Health, —
drugs and food.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 494) of John B. Cashman relative to pensions for certain disabled soldiers and sailors; and

On the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 796) of William H. McDonnell for the planting of trees in memory of soldiers and sailors who died during the European war;

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1095) of William H. McDonnell that cities and towns be authorized to pay annuities to the widows and orphans of employees killed in war service;

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioners), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 85) of the county commissioners of the county of Middlesex for an extension of the time within which certain counties are required to provide hospital care for consumptives;

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1100) of John L. Donovan relative to the cleaning and disinfecting of cars of street railway companies; and

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 249) of James J. Casey relative to the abatement of taxes;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

A Report of the committee on Social Welfare, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 706) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for further regulation of the issuance of employment certificates to children under sixteen years of age, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Education, — was read and accepted, in concurrence.

The annual report of the State Department of Health of prosecutions and expenditures under the laws relative to adulterated drugs and food (House, No. 1475), — was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Health.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the House) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Relative to the licensing of insurance adjusters;

To prohibit until the year nineteen hundred and twenty-two the taking of quail in the counties of Essex, Dukes and Nantucket; and

Extending the time during which the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game may lease Tisbury Great Pond for the cultivation of fish.

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Bill relative to the use of armories provided for the militia Armories.
(Senate, No. 63, changed), — was ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill to change the rate of board at the North Reading, Lakeville, Westfield and Rutland State Sanatoria from State Sanatoria, — rate of board.
four dollars a week to five dollars a week (printed as House, No. 866), — was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Kearney moved that the bill be amended by inserting after section 1 the following new section: "SECTION 2. This act shall not apply to individual payments of rate of board by inmates."; and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit:

YEAS.

Messrs. Callahan, Edward
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Foley, William J.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.

Messrs. Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
Nason, Arthur L.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 12.

NAYS.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.

Messrs. Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Loring, Augustus P.
McLane, Walter E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 18.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. Edward A. Counihan, Jr. (present),
Mr. John Halliwell (present),
Mr. Warren E. Tarbell,

NAYS.

Mr. Malcolm E. Nichols.
Mr. Harold L. Perrin.
Mr. Joseph O. Knox (present). — 6.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Cavanagh, James F.

Mr. John A. Curtin. — 3.

So the amendment was rejected.

The question on ordering the bill to a third reading was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Gifford, Charles L.

Messrs. Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Loring, Augustus P.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 14.

NAYS.

Messrs. Callahan, Edward
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Eames, Edward B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.

Messrs. Knox, Joseph O.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 17.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. Malcolm E. Nichols,
Mr. Charles S. Smith (present),

NAYS.

Mr. Edward A. Counihan, Jr. (present).
Mr. James F. Cavanagh. — 4.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Curtin, John A.

Messrs. Perrin, Harold L.
Tarbell, Warren E. — 4.

So the Senate refused to order the bill to a third reading.

Motor-vehicles,
— financial ir-
responsibility
of operators.

The Senate Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 190) of Arthur L. Nason that the public be protected against the financial irresponsibility of operators of motor-vehicles, — was considered, the question being on accepting it.

On motion of Mr. Nason, the report was amended by substituting a "Bill to provide for the protection of persons and property in case of injuries due to the careless operation of motor-vehicles" (Senate, No. 190); and the bill was read and, under the rule, was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Motor-vehicles,
— security
against injury
and damage.

The Senate Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 261) of Leland Powers relative to providing security to the public for injuries and damage caused by motor-vehicles, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Kearney.

Street railway
companies, —
abandonment
of locations.

The House Report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1007) of Frank B. Phinney relative to the surrender and abandonment of street railway locations in cities and towns in certain cases, — was accepted, in concurrence.

The bills

Bills.

In relation to the issue of bonds of the city of Boston to provide for the cost of work preliminary to the construction of the additional station in the Boylston Street subway (Senate, No. 239, changed);

To provide for improvements in the north end of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 373);

To authorize the Berkshire Street Railway Company to sell electricity for certain purposes (Senate, No. 374);

To provide that increases in the price of gas and electricity shall not be made unless approved by the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners (printed as House, No. 282);

To authorize trust companies having savings departments, savings banks and institutions for savings to place deposits on interest monthly (printed as House, No. 567);

To establish the time for submitting the annual budget to the General Court (House, No. 98);

Relative to the commitment of insane persons to Gardner State Colony (House, No. 393);

Relative to the appointment of the Deputy in the department of the Auditor of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1132);

To authorize the Fire District in the Town of Dalton to take and use the Windsor reservoir (House, No. 1306);

To provide for giving persons in war service further time to file income tax returns (House, No. 1457);

Relative to the identity of persons filing or failing to file income tax returns (House, No. 1458);

Permitting the division of cities into convenient assessment districts (House, No. 1459); and

Relative to the use of armories for certain entertainments (House, No. 1482); and

The Resolve in favor of the widow and child of John J. McCarthy (House, No. 1461); Resolve.

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bills

Relative to the Board of Dental Examiners and to the registration of dentists (Senate, No. 156, changed) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and Senate bills.

To authorize the city of Boston to pension Bernard J. Kelley (Senate, No. 218);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Severally sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Resolve relative to the introduction of educational work into State hospitals (Senate, No. 139), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the resolve be amended by substituting a new draft entitled "Resolve to provide for an investigation relative to educational work in the hospitals of the Commonwealth" (Senate, No. 384). State hospitals, — educational work.

This amendment was adopted.

Under the rule, the resolve, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 384), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The House Bill to authorize the Museum of Fine Arts to hold additional real and personal estate (House, No. 488), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in Museum of Fine Arts.

the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out section 2.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

House bill.

The House Bill to authorize the Smith Mills Christian Church of Dartmouth to act as trustee of certain funds (House, No. 1226, changed), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate reports

Senate reports.

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1189) of Charles S. O'Connor relative to monthly payments of interest on deposits in savings banks;

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 775) of Frederick P. Glazier for the licensing of public garages;

Of the committee on Public Lighting, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 281) of The Dorchester Board of Trade relative to the price and quality of illuminating gas in the city of Boston;

Of the committee on Public Lighting, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 668) of William Plattner relative to the price and quality of gas and electricity;

Of the committee on Public Lighting, reference to the next General Court, on the (recommitted) petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 803) of George A. Lancaster for the appointment of a special commission to ascertain the value of all public and private gas plants and the probable cost to the Commonwealth of acquiring the same;

Of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1253) of William Boyce and another relative to the registration of feeble-minded persons and to prohibiting the marriage of such persons;

Of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1254) of R. E. Bigney for the establishment by the Commonwealth of a farm colony for mental deficient; and

Of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1255) of Joseph W. Proctor for a reduction in the length of service necessary for retirement of employees of the Commonwealth;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

**Boston and
Cambridge, —
drawtenders.**

The Senate Report of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 531) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor that drawtenders and assistant drawtenders be included in the laborers' pension acts of the cities of Boston and Cambridge, — was considered; and, pending the question on

accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Kearney.

The House reports

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 68) of Thomas A. Niland that in each city and town at least one drug store having a public telephone shall be kept open throughout the night; House reports.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1319) of John H. Sullivan relative to the purchase of coal by the Commonwealth for sale to its inhabitants;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 48) of George E. Curran that provision be made for an honor roll, or other suitable memorial, of Massachusetts men who died in the war with Germany;

Of the committee on Municipal Finance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 962) of the mayor of the city of Lawrence and another that said city be authorized to borrow money to reimburse its treasury for expenses incurred during the influenza epidemic; and

Of the committee on Municipal Finance, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 964) of William J. McDonald and others that the city of Boston construct a public way from a point near the corner of Tremont and Eliot streets to a point near the corner of Washington and Avery streets;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Foley, at ten minutes before four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

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Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

Bay State Life
Insurance
Company.

By Mr. McLane, for the committee on Insurance, on the petition of James D. Henderson (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 223), a Bill relative to the time for the organization of the Bay State Life Insurance Company (Senate, No. 387); and

Foreign cor-
porations, —
filing returns
of taxable
property.

By Mr. Nichols, for the committee on Taxation, on the report of the joint special recess committee on Taxation (Senate, No. 313) (in part), a Bill to extend the time for filing returns of taxable property by foreign corporations (Senate, No. 388);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Boston, —
school janitors
and attendance
officers.

By Mr. Kearney, for the committee on Social Welfare, that the recommitted Senate Bill relative to the retirement of school janitors and attendance officers in the city of Boston (printed as House, No. 533), ought to pass;

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

The Jones
Library,
Incorporated.

By Mr. Perrin, for the committee on State House and Libraries, on the petition of George Cutler, Jr., and others (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 131), a Bill to incorporate the Jones Library, Incorporated, for the purpose of maintaining a library in the town of Amherst (Senate, No. 389);

Read, the rules suspended, on motion of Mr. Churchill, and the bill read a second time and a third time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 suspended, on further motion of Mr. Churchill.

City councils,
— election by
proportional
representation.

By Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1191) of Charles H. Porter relative to the election of city councils by the method of proportional representation;

Connecticut
Valley Park
Reservation
Commission.

By Mr. Cronin, for the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1044) of Francis X. Quigley for the establishment of a Connecticut Valley Park Reservation Commission; and

Boston, —
armory and
battalion of
infantry in
Dorchester.

By Mr. Reed, for the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 197) of Charles A. Winchester that provision be

made for a battalion of infantry and an armory in the Dorchester district of the city of Boston;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Petitions.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows:—

By Mr. Cronin, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 385) of the finance committee of the board of aldermen of the city of Holyoke that said city be authorized to pay a sum of money to the widow of Michael H. Gilligan; and Holyoke, —
widow of
Michael H.
Gilligan.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 386) of the finance committee of the board of aldermen of the city of Holyoke that said city be authorized to pay a sum of money to the next of kin of William J. Mays; Holyoke, —
next of kin
of William J.
Mays.

Severally, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved, in each instance, by the same Senator, to the committee on Cities.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Relative to Dry Dock Avenue in the South Boston district of the city of Boston (House, No. 435, amended, — on the recommendations of the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands, House, No. 432, in part); and South Boston,
— Dry Dock
Avenue.

To provide for placing on main highways sign-posts indicating the boundaries of cities and towns (House, No. 1472, amended, — on the petition of Charles H. Hartshorn, accompanied by bill, House, No. 524); Main highways,
— sign-posts
at municipal
boundaries.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills

Relative to the listing of voters in the town of Watertown (House, No. 715, amended, — on the petition of the selectmen of said town); Watertown, —
listing of
voters.

Authorizing the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game to regulate the taking of smelt in great ponds (House, No. 1473, — on the recommendations of said board, House, No. 873, in part, see House, No. 884); and Great ponds, —
taking of smelt.

Making an appropriation for the expenses of a parade in Boston of the Twenty-sixth Division, United States Army, and for other like expenses (House, No. 1491, — on the message from the Governor relative thereto, House, No. 1483); Appropriation,
— parade of
the 26th
Division,
U. S. A.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

The Senate Bill to authorize cities and towns to raise and appropriate money for memorials to soldiers, sailors and marines (Senate, No. 339), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment in section 3, striking out the first sentence thereof, and inserting in place thereof the following: "Cities and towns which accept gifts or bequests or appro-

Municipal
memorials to
soldiers, sailors
and marines.

priate money for the purposes set forth in this act shall provide for a board of trustees which shall have charge and control of the construction of any memorial hereunder, and shall have the custody and care of any such memorial after its construction."

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Halliwell, and the amendment was considered forthwith and was adopted, in concurrence.

Reports

Savings banks,
— investment
in bankers'
acceptances.

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1026) of James Holland for the repeal of the act permitting the investment by savings banks in bankers' acceptances;

Motor-vehicles,
— liens.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 61) of the Garage Association of Metropolitan Boston relative to liens upon motor-vehicles;

Non-support
proceedings,
— appeals.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 152) of John L. Harvey and others relative to the effect of appeal in non-support proceedings;

Husband and
wife, — con-
versation
as evidence.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 225) of Frank J. Donahue that conversation between husband and wife shall not be inadmissible in evidence;

Officials, —
mis-feasance
and non-
feasance.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 256) of Joseph P. Walsh that provision be made for the removal of officers guilty of mis-feasance or non-feasance in office;

New York,
New Haven
and Hartford
Railroad
Company, —
use of certain
money.

On the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 61) of Thomas A. Niland for an investigation of the payment of money by the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company to The Boston Herald Corporation for the purpose of influencing legislation;

Actions of
tort, — proof
of agency.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 62) of Wendell P. Murray relative to proof of agency in actions to recover damages for injuries or death;

Establishment
of building
lines, —
damages.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 476) of Elisha Greenwood for a limitation of the time within which petitions for assessment of damages sustained by establishing building lines may be brought;

Widening of
public ways, —
damages.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 477) of Elisha Greenwood relative to assessment of damages sustained by widening of highways, townways or other ways;

Flags and
banners, —
display.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 482) of Charles H. Hartshorn relative to the carrying and displaying of flags and banners;

Savings banks,
— foreclosure
of mortgages.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 563) of Raymond P. Delano and another that foreclosure of mortgages by savings banks be restricted for a limited time;

Agricultural
and horticultural
organisations,
— incor-
poration.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 612) of George Albree relative to the incorporation of agricultural and horticultural organizations;

Prisoners, —
allowances for
support of
families.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 700) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, for an increase in the allowance for the support of the wife or children of a man

confined in a penal institution, to be paid in return for each day's hard labor performed by such prisoner;

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 759) of P. M. Costello that suitable penalties be provided for violation of the law relating to food and food products; Food laws, — penalties for violation.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 764) of Edwin Mulready and others relative to the penalty for violating the law regulating the employment of minors; Employment of minors, — violations of law.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1049) of John C. Gordon relative to the powers of lodging and boarding-house keepers in dealing with their patrons; Lodging and boarding-house keepers, — powers.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1051) of John R. Hudson relative to the publication of information concerning persons dying from taking poison; Persons dying from poison, — publicity.

On the petition (accompanied by resolution, House, No. 1206) of Robert W. Renfrew and another that the General Court petition the Governor and Council to remove or impeach Judge Samuel P. Abbott, Associate Judge Michael J. Connolly and Clerk William J. Bannan of the Second District Court of Eastern Middlesex; Second District Court of Eastern Middlesex, — impeachment of justices and clerk.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1207) of James A. Keown and another relative to requiring that opinions of the Supreme Judicial Court shall be subscribed to by all the Justices; Supreme Judicial Court, — opinions.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1209) of William Boyce and another relative to the relations of husband and wife; and Husbands and wives, — relations.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1215) of Stoughton Bell and another relative to publicity in the matter of criminal complaints; Criminal complaints, — publicity.

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 102) of Joseph C. Pelletier for an amendment of the law regarding the grand jury; Grand jury, — proceedings.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 478) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to the removal of inmates from the Suffolk School for Boys and to the disposal by said city of Rainsford Island and the property of said school; and Suffolk School for Boys, — removal of inmates and disposal of property.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 934) of The Massachusetts Prison Association for the extension of provisions of law relative to furnishing lists of jurors and witnesses for the defense in felony cases; Felony cases, — lists of jurors and witnesses.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

A Report of the committee on Public Institutions, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 241) of Francis Prescott for the establishment of a division for the inspection of foods for, and the supervision of farms and agricultural enterprises connected with, State institutions, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Administration and Commissions, — was read and accepted, in concurrence. State institutions, — inspection of foods and supervision of farms.

Revere, —
reinstatement
of Thomas W.
Dowd.

The following House petitions were referred, in concurrence: —
Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1316) of Michael F. Shaw and another that Thomas W. Dowd be authorized to petition for reinstatement in the police force of the city of Revere;

Pittsfield, —
salary of
mayor.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1408) of Manson R. White and others relative to establishing the salary of the mayor of the city of Pittsfield; and

Medford, —
pension for
George D.
Cummings.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1476) of Fred J. Burrell that the city of Medford be authorized to retire and pension George D. Cummings;

Severally, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, in each instance, to the committee on Cities.

Estate of
William Street
of Holyoke, —
reimbursement
for land.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1435) of John H. Montgomery that the administrator of the estate of William Street of Holyoke be reimbursed for land taken by the Mount Tom State Reservation Commission;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Athol, —
town hall and
validation of
votes.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1477) of Clarence D. Hamilton that the town of Athol be authorized to incur indebtedness for a town hall and that certain votes of said town be validated;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Municipal Finance.

Boston Elevated
Railway
Company, —
zone system.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1467) of Martin Hays that the use of the zone system by the Boston Elevated Railway Company and other street railway companies be prohibited;

Under a suspension of the 12th and 9th joint rules, to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

Rockland, —
pensioning of,
Thomas F.
Kendrigan.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1480) of Bart. J. Fitzgerald and another that the town of Rockland be authorized to pension Thomas F. Kendrigan; and

Middle-
borough, —
Middle-
borough Fire
District.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1485) of William M. Haskins and others that the town of Middleborough be authorized to take over the properties of the Middleborough Fire District and to assume all liabilities of the same;

Severally, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, in each instance, to the committee on Towns.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first four of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To authorize the city of New Bedford to incur further indebtedness for the purpose of erecting and equipping a municipal hospital;

To establish a board of license commissioners in the city of Cambridge;

To establish a board of trustees for Melrose Cemetery in the city of Brockton;

Relative to the annuity payable to the widows and children of certain deceased policemen and firemen in the city of Boston;

Relative to collectors of taxes;

Relative to the salary of the mayor of the city of Newton;

Relative to repairs of school-houses in the city of Newton;

To authorize the city of Malden to pension Bartholomew O'Brien;

Relative to the board of art commissioners of the city of Boston;

To authorize the city of Cambridge to retire and pension John McElligott;

To authorize the city of Cambridge to retire and pension Ferdinand M. Buffum;

To establish the office of commissioner of health for the city of Cambridge;

Fixing the time and place for holding probate court in the county of Franklin;-

To authorize the city of Revere to pay an annuity to the widow of James Gibbons;

To establish the compensation of the members of the board of aldermen of the city of Chicopee; and

To establish the office of messenger to the probate court and court of insolvency for the county of Suffolk.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Bill relative to the operation of motor-vehicles (Senate, No. 367), — was considered; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Hobbs.

Motor-vehicles,
— operation.

The House Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1229) of Lucien D. Fuller that the expenses of constructing and maintaining bridges between the cities of Boston and Cambridge be shared by other cities and towns, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Counihan.

Boston and
Cambridge, —
maintenance of
bridges.

The Senate Bill to provide for the division into day and night forces of permanent members of fire departments (Senate, No. 365), — was considered; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was recommitted to the committee on Cities, on motion of Mr. Cavanagh.

Fire depart-
ments, —
day and night
forces.

The House Bill relative to the use of traps, nets and snares for the taking of birds and animals (House, No. 1464), — was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Birds and
animals, —
taking in
traps, nets
and snares.

On motion of Mr. Prescott, the bill was amended by substituting a "Bill relative to the use of traps, nets and snares, for the taking of birds and animals" (see House, No. 893).

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (see House, No. 893), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

State hospitals,
— educational
work.

The Senate Resolve to provide for an investigation relative to educational work in the hospitals of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 384), — was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Boston and
Cambridge, —
drawtenders.

The Senate Report of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 531) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor that drawtenders and assistant drawtenders be included in the laborers' pension acts of the cities of Boston and Cambridge, — was considered, the question being on accepting it.

Mr. Kearney moved that the report be amended by substituting a "Bill to provide for the inclusion of drawtenders and assistant drawtenders within the laborer pension acts of the city of Boston and the city of Cambridge" (printed as House, No. 531); and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Jackson, George H.

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
Nason, Arthur L.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 14.

NAYS.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Eames, Edward B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Loring, Augustus P.
McLane, Walter E.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 15.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. George E. Curran,
Mr. Edward Callahan (present),

NAYS.

Mr. John A. Curtin (present).
Mr. Charles S. Smith. — 4.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Chamberlain, George D.
Dahlborg, Edward N.

Messrs. Hardy, Walter A.
Knox, Joseph O.
Tarbell, Warren E. — 6.

So the amendment was rejected.

The report was then accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Bill to provide for the protection of persons and property in case of injuries due to the careless operation of motor-vehicles (Senate, No. 190), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Nason, the bill was laid on the table.

Motor-vehicles
— financial ir-
responsibility
of operators.

The Senate Bill to reestablish the publication of the acts and resolves in a single volume (Senate, No. 282), — was read a second time.

Acts and
resolves, —
publication
in single
volume.

The following pending amendments in section 1, recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, were considered, to wit: — Striking out, in line 5, the words "general and special"; and striking out, in lines 7 to 11, inclusive, the words "the Governor's address and messages, a list of the changes of names returned during the preceding year by the probate courts, a list of the officers of the civil government of the Commonwealth,".

On motion of Mr. Reed, the pending amendment striking out certain words in lines 7 to 11, was amended by striking out the words "a list of the officers of the civil government of the Commonwealth,".

The amendments, as amended, were then adopted, and the bill, as thus amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to provide for the weekly payment of wages to employees in private families (Senate, No. 379), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Weston, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session.

Employees in
private fam-
ilies, — weekly
payment of
wages.

The Senate Bill authorizing the expenditure of an additional sum of money in the construction of a new bridge over the Monaticquot River in the town of Braintree (printed as House, No. 1466), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. McIntosh, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Norfolk
County, —
new bridge
over Monati-
quot River.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. McLane.

The bills

To enable manufacturing corporations to provide for the representation of their employees on the board of directors (Senate, No. 378);

Bills.

Relative to surrender equities in fraternal benefit societies (Senate, No. 380);

To require cities and towns to make just and adequate provision for their returning soldiers, sailors and marines (Senate, No. 383);

To authorize the city of Cambridge to incur indebtedness outside the debt limit for the construction of an addition to the Cambridge City Hospital (printed as Senate, No. 268, changed);

To revive the corporation known as the Manchester Amusement Company (House, No. 1344);

Authorizing the trustees of the Textile Schools at New Bedford, Lowell and Fall River to insure their school buildings and contents (House, No. 1455); and

Bill.

Relative to the publication of lists of candidates to be voted for at city elections (House, No. 1468);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Senate bills.

The Senate bills

To permit the use of armories by military organizations in the public schools (Senate, No. 63, changed) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

To authorize the Berkshire Street Railway Company to sell electricity for certain purposes (Senate, No. 374);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

House bills.

The House bills

Relative to the commitment of insane persons to Gardner State Colony (House, No. 393);

To authorize the fire district of the town of Dalton to take and use the Windsor reservoir (House, No. 1306) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Authorizing the city of Pittsfield to pay certain sums of money to the widows of Frank Condron and Michael Bartell (House, No. 1448);

To provide for giving persons in war service further time to file income tax returns (House, No. 1457);

Relative to the mode of ascertaining whether specified individuals have filed income tax returns (House, No. 1458) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

Permitting the division of cities into convenient assessment districts (House, No. 1459); and

House resolve.

The House Resolve in favor of the widow and child of John J. McCarthy (House, No. 1461);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Auditor of the Commonwealth, — additional Deputy.

The House Bill relative to the appointment of the Deputy in the department of the Auditor of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1132), — was read a third time.

Mr. Gifford moved that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft entitled "An Act relative to the appointment of an additional Deputy in the department of the Auditor of the Commonwealth" (Senate, No. 390).

Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Beck.

Armories, — use for certain entertainments.

The House Bill relative to the use of armories for certain entertainments (House, No. 1482), — was read a third time and was amended, on motion of Mr. Reed, by adding the following new section: "SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage, but shall have no further effect after the expiration of one year following its passage."

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 336) of John E. Beck for an extension of the exemption of veterans from the payment of fees or licenses as insurance agents or brokers; Senate reports.

Of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 752) of John W. Cronin relative to the powers of mutual insurance companies;

Of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1205) of Chauncey Pepin that the name of the Saint John Mutual Fraternal Benefit Association be changed;

Of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 620) of Harvey E. Frost for the establishment of an eight-hour day in all industries;

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 773) of Barnet Lerner relative to the temporary suspension of the licenses of junk-dealers; and

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 774) of Barnet Lerner that persons licensed as junk-dealers shall be legal residents;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House reports

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the recommendations of the Bank Commissioner (House, No. 331) as relates to the investments of trust companies (accompanied by bill, House, No. 333); House reports.

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1312) of John R. Hudson relative to abolishing withdrawal charges of coöperative banks;

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1301) of Thomas J. Corbett for a new charter for the city of Lowell;

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 254) of John O. Hamilton for the construction of a barn at the Palmer fish hatchery;

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 590) of William J. Heebner and another that the taking of other game be restricted during the open season for deer;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 494) of John B. Cashman relative to pensions for certain disabled soldiers and sailors;

House reports.

Of the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 796) of William H. McDonnell for the planting of trees in memory of soldiers and sailors who died during the European war;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1095) of William H. McDonnell that cities and towns be authorized to pay annuities to the widows and orphans of employees killed in war service;

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioners), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 85) of the county commissioners of the county of Middlesex for an extension of the time within which certain counties are required to provide hospital care for consumptives;

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1100) of John L. Donovan relative to the cleaning and disinfecting of cars of street railway companies; and

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 249) of James J. Casey relative to the abatement of taxes;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Churchill, at three minutes past four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, March 20, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Loring, for the committee on Election Laws, on the petitions of Ralph S. Bauer (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 22); of Benjamin C. Lane (accompanied by bill, House, No. 59); of Jerome S. Smith (accompanied by bill, House, No. 583); of Matthew A. Higgins (accompanied by bill, House, No. 746); and of George W. Kelley (accompanied by bill, House, No. 747), a Bill relative to compulsory registration and balloting (printed as House, No. 747) (Messrs. Leavitt, Sawyer and Manning, of the House, dissenting);

Compulsory registration and balloting.

By Mr. Hobbs, for the committee on Railroads, on the abstract of the annual report of the Public Service Commission (Pub. Doc. No. 14) (in part), a Bill relative to the acquisition by railroad corporations of stocks and securities of other corporations, companies and associations, and to purchasers, leases and mergers of such corporations (printed as House, No. 1138, — changed by the committee in section 6, by inserting after the word “shall”, in lines 2 and 3, respectively, the word “knowingly”);

Railroad corporations, — acquisition of stocks and securities of other corporations.

By Mr. Kearney, for the committee on Social Welfare, on the recommendations of the Minimum Wage Commission (House, No. 399) (in part), a Bill to provide for filling vacancies on wage boards (printed as House, No. 400);

Wage boards, — filling of vacancies.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the recommendations of the Minimum Wage Commission (House, No. 399) (in part), a Bill to provide for the posting of notices of hearings, nominations for wage boards, and of wage decrees (printed as House, No. 401); and

Wage boards, — notices of hearings, nominations and wage decrees.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the recommendations of the Minimum Wage Commission (House, No. 399) (in part), a Bill to provide for records of hours of employment of women and minors (printed as House, No. 402);

Women and minors, — records of hours of employment.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of the county commissioners of the county of Bristol, a Bill relative to retiring and pensioning county employees (printed as House, No. 998);

County employees, — retirement and pensions.

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Hardy of Worcester, for the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the recommitted petition (accompanied

Boston, — reinstatement of Edward A. Scigliano.

by bill, House, No. 684) of Edward A. Scigliano that Edward W. Chase be reinstated in the public works department of the city of Boston;

Holyoke, —
gas and electric
board.

By Mr. Foley, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 737) of Urban Fleming and another for the creation of a gas and electric board for the city of Holyoke;

Grade cross-
ings, — sound-
ing of locomot-
ive whistles.

By Mr. Hobbs, for the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 89) of Edwin H. Conant relative to the sounding of whistles of locomotives approaching grade crossings;

New York,
New Haven
and Hartford
Railroad Com-
pany, —
resumption
of evening
passenger
service.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 121) of Silas D. Reed that the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company be required to resume certain evening passenger service between the city of Boston and the cities of Taunton, New Bedford and Fall River, and for legislation relative to any other railroad within the Commonwealth; and

Minimum
Wage Com-
mission, —
powers and
jurisdiction.

By Mr. Kearney, for the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1000) of Walter M. Whitehill relative to the powers and jurisdiction of the Minimum Wage Commission;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Committee on
Cities, —
travel.

By Mr. Beck, for the joint committee on Rules, that the Senate Order that the committee on Cities be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the cities of Lawrence and Taunton on or before March 28th, — ought not to be adopted;

Read, and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator, and rejected, as had been recommended by the joint committee on Rules.

Reconsideration.

Berkshire
Street Railway
Company, —
sale of
electricity.

On motion of Mr. Beck, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had passed to be engrossed the Senate Bill to authorize the Berkshire Street Railway Company to sell electricity for certain purposes (Senate, No. 374).

Pending the recurring question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the same Senator moved that it be amended in section 1, by adding at the end thereof the words "the transmission to be either from one electric company for delivery to another electric company, or from one electric company to the same electric company in other territory in which it is authorized to do business."

Pending this amendment and pending the recurring main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of the same Senator.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Smith, —

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Metropolitan Affairs is authorized to travel, in the discharge of its duties, in the city of Boston, be extended to March 27.

Committee on
Metropolitan
Affairs, —
travel.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Resolve relative to the appropriation for the improvement of Beverly Harbor (House, No. 592, on the petition of Joseph E. Herrick), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Beverly
Harbor, —
improvement.

Bills

Relative to the preservation of examination papers by the State Examiners of Electricians (House, No. 347, — on the recommendations of said examiners, House, No. 346);

State Examiners of
Electricians, —
preservation of papers.

To regulate the time of taking effect of acts and resolves passed by the General Court (House, No. 615, on the petition of Joseph E. Warner);

Acts and
resolves, —
time of taking
effect.

Relative to school attendance and to the employment of minors (House, No. 825, on the petition of Edwin Mulready and others);

Minors, —
school attendance and
employment.

Relative to the display of the flag on school buildings (House, No. 1199, changed, — on the petition of Mrs. Otis Reed and another);

School
buildings, —
display of
flags.

To authorize the town of North Attleborough to supply the town of Plainville with water (House, No. 1460, — on the petition of the board of water commissioners of the town of North Attleborough and another, accompanied by bill, House, No. 717);

Plainville, —
water from
North Attleborough.

Relative to the filing of returns by certain banks (House, No. 1481, — on so much of the annual report of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, Pub. Doc. No. 46, as relates thereto); and

Banks, —
filing of
returns.

To dissolve certain corporations (House, No. 1490, amended, — on the recommendations of the Tax Commissioner, House, No. 421, in part);

Corporations, —
dissolution.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Reports

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 562) of Frank J. Linehan and another that the assignment of loans by co-operative banks be limited;

Coöperative
banks, —
assignment
of loans.

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 974) of Wendell P. Murray and others for the appointment in certain cities by the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game of inspectors of fish offered for sale at wholesale;

Inspectors
of fish.

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1249) of

Operators of
motor-vehicles,
— examina-
tion.

Thomas Leavitt that a physical examination of operators of motor-vehicles be required; and

Of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw:

Women and girls, — new reformatory.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 248) of Joseph P. Walsh that a reformatory be established for women and girls; and

Dances, — complimentary tickets.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1257) of James W. Hayes that giving complimentary tickets to dances be prohibited;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

Relative to the use by public institutions in cities of articles manufactured by the labor of prisoners;

To provide for biennial elections in the city of Somerville; and

Authorizing the city of Pittsfield to pay certain members of its police department for volunteer services.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Boston, — School janitors and attendance officers.

The Bill relative to the retirement of school janitors and attendance officers in the city of Boston (printed as House, No. 533), — was considered; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Nichols.

Motor-vehicles, — operation.

The Senate Bill relative to the operation of motor-vehicles (Senate, No. 367), — was considered; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Reed.

Boston and Cambridge, — maintenance of bridges.

The House Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1229) of Lucien D. Fuller that the expenses of constructing and maintaining bridges between the cities of Boston and Cambridge be shared by other cities and towns, — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

Mr. Counihan moved that the report be amended by substituting a "Bill to provide that the expenses of construction and maintenance of bridges between the cities of Boston and Cambridge shall be shared by other cities and towns" (printed as House, No. 1229); and this amendment was rejected.

The report was then accepted, in concurrence.

Birds and animals, — taking in traps, nets and snares.

The Senate Bill relative to the use of traps, nets and snares for the taking of birds and animals (see House, No. 893), — was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Prescott, the bill was amended by substituting a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 391).

The bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 391), was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 981) of John I. Fitzgerald that the compensation of John J. Gillespie, an employee of the county of Suffolk in the house of correction at Deer Island, be increased, — was accepted, in concurrence.

John J. Gillespie, — compensation.

The Bill to provide for the weekly payment of wages to employees in private families (Senate, No. 379), — was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 16 to 4.

Employees in private families, — weekly payment of wages.

The House Bill relative to the appointment of the Deputy in the department of the Auditor of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1132), — was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Auditor of the Commonwealth, — additional Deputy.

The Senate adopted the pending amendment, previously moved by Mr. Gifford, — that a new draft entitled "An Act relative to the appointment of an additional Deputy in the department of the Auditor of the Commonwealth" (Senate, No. 390), be substituted; and, accordingly, the new draft was substituted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 390), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The bills

Relative to the time for the organization of the Bay State Life Insurance Company (Senate, No. 387);

Bills.

Relative to the listing of voters in the town of Watertown (House, No. 715, amended);

Authorizing the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game to regulate the taking of smelt in great ponds (House, No. 1473); and

Making an appropriation for the expenses of a parade in Boston of the Twenty-sixth Division, United States Army, and for other like expenses (House, No. 1491);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to extend the time for filing returns of taxable property by foreign corporations (Senate, No. 388), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. McLane, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session.

Foreign corporations, — filing returns of taxable property.

The Senate bills

To enable manufacturing corporations to provide for the representation of their employees on the board of directors (Senate, No. 378); and

Senate bills.

Senate Bill.

Relative to surrender equities in fraternal benefit societies (Senate, No. 380);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.
Severally sent down for concurrence.

House bills.

The House bills

To authorize the city of Cambridge to incur indebtedness for the construction of an addition to its city hospital (printed as Senate, No. 268, changed) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

To establish the time for submitting the annual budget to the General Court (House, No. 98);

Authorizing the trustees of certain textile schools to insure their school buildings and contents (House, No. 1455) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

Relative to the publication of lists of candidates to be voted for at city elections (House, No. 1468);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Manchester Amusement Company.

The House Bill to revive the corporation known as the Manchester Amusement Company (House, No. 1344), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out section 2.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Senate reports.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1191) of Charles H. Porter relative to the election of city councils by the method of proportional representation;

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1044) of Francis X. Quigley for the establishment of a Connecticut Valley Park Reservation Commission; and

Of the committee on Military Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 197) of Charles A. Winchester that provision be made for a battalion of infantry and an armory in the Dorchester district of the city of Boston;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

**Motor-vehicles,
— liens.**

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 61) of the Garage Association of Metropolitan Boston relative to liens upon motor-vehicles, — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Cavanagh, the report was amended by striking out the words "petitioner have leave to withdraw," and

inserting in place thereof the words "petition be referred to the next General Court".

The report was then accepted, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 102) of Joseph C. Pelletier for an amendment of the law regarding the grand jury, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Cavanagh. Grand jury, — proceedings.

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 563) of Raymond P. Delano and another that foreclosure of mortgages by savings banks be restricted for a limited time, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Cavanagh. Savings banks, — foreclosure of mortgages.

The House reports

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1026) of James Holland for the repeal of the act permitting the investment by savings banks in bankers' acceptances; House reports.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 152) of John L. Harvey and others relative to the effect of appeal in non-support proceedings;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 225) of Frank J. Donahue that conversation between husband and wife shall not be inadmissible in evidence;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 256) of Joseph P. Walsh that provision be made for the removal of officers guilty of mis-feasance or non-feasance in office;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 61) of Thomas A. Niland for an investigation of the payment of money by the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company to The Boston Herald Corporation for the purpose of influencing legislation;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 62) of Wendell P. Murray relative to proof of agency in actions to recover damages for injuries or death;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 476) of Elisha Greenhood for a limitation of the time within which petitions for assessment of damages sustained by establishing building lines may be brought;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 477) of Elisha

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Greenhood relative to assessment of damages sustained by widening of highways, townways or other ways;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 478) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to the removal of inmates from the Suffolk School for Boys and to the disposal by said city of Rainsford Island and the property of said school;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 482) of Charles H. Hartshorn relative to the carrying and displaying of flags and banners;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 612) of George Albree relative to the incorporation of agricultural and horticultural organizations;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 700) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, for an increase in the allowance for the support of the wife or children of a man confined in a penal institution, to be paid in return for each day's hard labor performed by such prisoner;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 759) of P. M. Costello that suitable penalties be provided for violation of the law relating to food and food products;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 764) of Edwin Mulready and others relative to the penalty for violating the law regulating the employment of minors;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 934) of The Massachusetts Prison Association for the extension of provisions of law relative to furnishing lists of jurors and witnesses for the defense in felony cases;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1049) of John C. Gordon relative to the powers of lodging and boarding-house keepers in dealing with their patrons;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1051) of John R. Hudson relative to the publication of information concerning persons dying from taking poison;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolution, House, No. 1206) of Robert W. Renfrew and another that the General Court petition the Governor and Council to remove or impeach Judge Samuel P. Abbott, Associate Judge Michael J. Connolly and Clerk William J. Bannan of the Second District Court of Eastern Middlesex;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1207) of James A. Keown and another relative to requiring that opinions

of the Supreme Judicial Court shall be subscribed to by all the Justices;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1209) of William Boyce and another relative to the relations of husband and wife; and

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1215) of Stoughton Bell and another relative to publicity in the matter of criminal complaints;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hastings, at eighteen minutes past three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

FRIDAY, March 21, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

General Court,
— doorkeepers,
messengers
and pages.

By Mr. Churchill, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill relative to the number of doorkeepers, assistant doorkeepers, messengers and pages of the General Court (Senate, No. 319), ought to pass; and

Bunker Hill
Monument,
— public
control.

By Mr. Curran, for the same committee, that the House Bill to authorize the Metropolitan Park Commission to care for and maintain Bunker Hill Monument (House, No. 1389, amended), ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Certain game,
— hunting.

By Mr. Prescott, for the committee on Fisheries and Game, on the petitions of Roland D. Sawyer (accompanied by bill, House, No. 12); and of George M. Worrall (accompanied by bill, House, No. 929); and on the bill (House, No. 142, taken from the House files of last year), a Bill relative to the hunting of ruffed grouse, woodcock, quail, gray squirrels, hares and rabbits (Senate, No. 392) (Mr. Collins, of the House, dissenting);

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Boston Juve-
nile Court, —
salary of
justice.

By Mr. Hastings, for the committee on Public Service, on the petition of Charles W. M. Williams (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 88), a Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the Boston Juvenile Court (Senate, No. 400);

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Civil service
laws, —
changes.

By the same Senator, for the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 64) of Frederick S. Deitrick and others for changes in the civil service laws (Messrs. Johnson and Gillen, of the House, dissenting);

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Committee Discharged.

Soldiers, sailors
and marines, —
State pay.

Mr. Loring, for the committee on Reconstruction, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 284) of Peter F. Sullivan that State pay for soldiers, sailors and marines be continued from the date originally provided in chapter 211 of the Acts of 1917; of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No.

1120) of John Mitchell for an extension of the time during which the ten-dollar bounty shall be paid to soldiers and sailors from this Commonwealth; and of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1123) of the mayor and city solicitor of the city of Malden for an extension of the time within which payment of war allowance and State aid to dependents of soldiers and sailors may be made, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

The report was read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Order Adopted.

Mr. Beck offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit:—

Ordered, That the time within which joint committees are required, under the provisions of the 10th joint rule, to make final report upon all matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended to Wednesday, March 26.

Joint committees, — reports.

Subsequently, the same Senator, for the joint committee on Rules, reported that the order ought to be adopted; and it was considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McLane, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Question of Personal Privilege by Senator Nichols.

Mr. Nichols, rising to a question of personal privilege, stated that a Boston newspaper had editorially misrepresented views expressed by him during the debate on the Bill to provide for the division into day and night forces of permanent members of fire departments (Senate, No. 365). Mr. Nichols declared that the firemen are as good American citizens as are to be found; that they are courteous, efficient and brave. He expressed the opinion that they had proceeded in an orderly and justifiable manner to present their case to the General Court, and said that he had made no statement from which any other opinion could be inferred.

Senator Malcolm E. Nichols, — question of personal privilege.

Bills Ordered Printed.

On motion of Mr. Churchill, —

Voted, that the following bills, severally accompanying the report of the Special Recess Commission on Education (Senate, No. 330), be printed as separate Senate documents, to wit:—

Bill relative to attendance at schools in places other than residence (Senate, No. 393).

School attendance.

Bill to revise chapter forty-three of the Revised Laws (Senate, No. 394).

Public schools, — duties of certain officials.

Bill to determine the number of children retarded in mental development and to provide for their instruction (Senate, No. 395).

Children retarded in mental development.

Foreigners, —
instruction in
English
language.
Colleges, etc.,
— granting of
degrees.
Superin-
tendents of
schools.
School-houses,
— protection
against fire.

State Fund
Association, —
insuring com-
pensation to
injured em-
ployees.

Bill to provide for instruction of foreigners in the English language (Senate, No. 396).

Bill relative to the granting of degrees by colleges and other institutions of learning (Senate, No. 397).

Bill relative to the employment of superintendents of schools (Senate, No. 398).

Bill for the better protection of school-houses against fire (Senate, No. 399).

On motion of Mr. Cavanagh, —

Voted, That a "Bill to provide for the establishment of a State Fund Association for the purpose of insuring the liability of employers to make compensation on account of injured employees," — accompanying the report of the Special Recess Committee on Workmen's Compensation (Senate, No. 334), — be printed as a separate Senate document (Senate, No. 401).

Report Ordered Reprinted.

On motion of Mr. Cavanagh, —

Special Recess
Committee on
Workmen's
Compensation.

Voted, That the report of the Special Recess Committee on Workmen's Compensation (Senate, No. 334), be reprinted.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Attorneys, —
recording ad-
missions to
the bar.

Relative to the recording of admissions to the bar of attorneys at law (House, No. 765, on the petition of John F. Cronin);

Lynn, Pea-
body, Salem,
Beverly and
Danvers, —
water from the
Ipswich River.

Relative to the taking of water from the Ipswich River by the cities of Lynn, Peabody, Salem and Beverly and the town of Danvers (House, No. 1474, — on the petition of the mayors of the cities of Salem and Beverly and others, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1336);

Merchandise, —
fraud in
packing.

To prevent fraud in the packing of merchandise (House, No. 1494, amended, — on the petition of The Dry Felt and Paper Manufacturers Association, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1369); and

Grace Uni-
versalist
Society of
Lowell.

To change the name of the Grace Universalist Society of Lowell (House, No. 1496, — on the petition of Charles H. Hanson and others, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1371);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Reports

Hunting and
fishing licenses.

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 470) of the Springfield Fish and Game Association relative to hunting and fishing licenses (Messrs. Prescott, Brown and Foley, of the Senate, and Messrs. Bennett, Cowdrey and Tower, of the House, dissenting);

Board of
Commissioners
on Fisheries
and Game, —
recommendations.

Of the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game (House, No. 873) as was considered by said committee (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 879 to 894, inclusive);

Of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 13) of Thomas A. Niland that fire insurance companies be required to pay a part of the cost of equipping and maintaining municipal fire departments; and Fire insurance companies, — support of fire departments.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 193) of Thomas A. Niland that fire insurance companies be required to pay certain sums of money for the relief of firemen or their families in case of injury or death; and Fire insurance companies, — relief of injured firemen.

Of the committee on Public Lighting, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 33) of Thomas A. Niland that the price of gas sold in the cities of Boston and Chelsea be established (Mr. Harrington, of the House, dissenting); Boston and Chelsea, — price of gas.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Authorizing the expenditure of an additional sum of money in the construction of a new bridge over the Monaquot River in the town of Braintree; Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

To incorporate the Jones Library, Incorporated, for the purpose of maintaining a library in the town of Amherst;

To authorize the Smith Mills Christian Church of Dartmouth to act as trustee of certain funds;

Relative to the licensing of insurance agents;

Relative to the licensing of insurance brokers; and

Providing a penalty for assisting in the escape of patients from certain institutions.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Bill relative to the retirement of school janitors and attendance officers in the city of Boston (printed as House, No. 533), — was ordered to a third reading. Boston, — school janitors and attendance officers.

The Senate Bill relative to the appointment of an additional deputy in the department of the Auditor of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 390), — was passed to be engrossed. Auditor of the Commonwealth, — additional Deputy.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Bill to extend the time for filing returns of taxable property by foreign corporations (Senate, No. 388), — was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 14 to 0. Foreign corporations, — filing returns of taxable property.

The bills

To provide for filling vacancies on wage boards (printed as Bills, House, No. 400);

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To provide for the posting of notices of hearings, nominations for wage boards, and of wage decrees (printed as House, No. 401);

To provide for records of hours of employment of women and minors (printed as House, No. 402);

Relative to the preservation of examination papers by the State Examiners of Electricians (House, No. 347);

To regulate the time of taking effect of acts and resolves passed by the General Court (House, No. 615);

Relative to school attendance and to the employment of minors (House, No. 825);

Relative to the display of the flag on school buildings (House, No. 1199, changed);

To authorize the town of North Attleborough to supply the town of Plainville with water (House, No. 1460);

Relative to the filing of returns by certain banks (House, No. 1481); and

To dissolve certain corporations (House, No. 1490, amended);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Compulsory registration and balloting.

The Bill relative to compulsory registration and balloting (printed as House, No. 747), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Hobbs, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session.

Railroad corporations, — acquisition of stocks and securities of other corporations.

The Senate Bill relative to the acquisition by railroad corporations of stocks and securities of other corporations, companies and associations, and to purchases, leases and mergers of such corporations (printed as House, No. 1138, changed), — was read a second time.

Mr. Beck moved that the bill be amended in section 6, by striking out the word “knowingly”, inserted by the committee on Railroads after the word “shall”, in lines 2 and 3, respectively.

Pending these amendments and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Hobbs.

The Senate reports**Senate reports.**

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the re-committed petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 684) of Edward A. Scigliano that Edward W. Chase be reinstated in the public works department of the city of Boston;

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 737) of Urban Fleming and another for the creation of a gas and electric board for the city of Holyoke;

Of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 89) of Edwin H. Conant relative to the sounding of whistles of locomotives approaching grade crossings; and

Of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1000) of Walter M. Whitehill relative to the powers and jurisdiction of the Minimum Wage Commission;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Report of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 121) of Silas D. Reed that the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company be required to resume certain evening passenger service between the city of Boston and the cities of Taunton, New Bedford and Fall River, and for legislation relative to any other railroad within the Commonwealth, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Reed.

New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company, — resumption of evening passenger service.

The House reports

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 562) of Frank J. Linehan and another that the assignment of loans by co-operative banks be limited;

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Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 974) of Wendell P. Murray and others for the appointment in certain cities by the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game of inspectors of fish offered for sale at wholesale;

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1249) of Thomas Leavitt that a physical examination of operators of motor-vehicles be required;

Of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 248) of Joseph P. Walsh that a reformatory be established for women and girls; and

Of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1257) of James W. Hayes that giving complimentary tickets to dances be prohibited;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Curran, at twelve minutes before twelve o'clock A.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, March 24, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain of the House of Representatives.

Reports of Committees.

Soldiers' Home
in Mass-
achusetts.

By Mr. Reed, for the committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of John E. Beck, a Resolve in favor of the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts (Senate, No. 33);

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Opinion of
Attorney-
General,—
operation of
motor-vehicles.

By Mr. McLane, for the Senate committee on Rules, that the following Senate order ought to be adopted, to wit:—

Whereas, There are pending in the General Court a bill entitled "An Act to provide for the protection of persons and property in case of injuries due to the careless operation of motor-vehicles," numbered Senate, 190, and another entitled "An Act to provide security to the public for personal injuries caused by motor-vehicles," numbered House, 261, copies of which are hereto annexed, and

Whereas, Doubt has been raised as to the constitutionality of these bills if enacted into law, therefore be it

Ordered, That the Senate require the opinion of the Attorney-General on the following important questions of law:—

1. Would either of the aforesaid bills be unconstitutional if enacted?

2. Is it within the constitutional power of the General Court to provide by law that every licensee to operate a motor-vehicle be required to furnish security by bond, insurance policy, or otherwise, against whatever damage to persons or property may result from the operation by the licensee of such vehicle?

Read, and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Beck, and adopted.

Reconsideration.

Municipal
memorials to
soldiers, sailors
and marines.

Mr. Halliwell asked unanimous consent that he might move that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at a previous session, it had adopted, in concurrence, a House amendment of the Senate Bill to authorize cities and towns to raise and appropriate money for memorials to soldiers, sailors and marines (Senate, No. 339); and, there being no objection, this motion was entertained and prevailed.

The amendment was as follows:

In section 3, striking out the first sentence thereof, and inserting in place thereof the following: "Cities and towns which accept gifts or bequests or appropriate money for the purposes

set forth in this act shall provide for a board of trustees which shall have charge and control of the construction of any memorial hereunder, and shall have the custody and care of any such memorial after its construction."

Pending the recurring question on concurring in the adoption of the amendment, it was amended, on motion of the same Senator, by striking out from the words to be inserted the word "shall" (before the word "provide"), and inserting in place thereof the word "may".

The House amendment was then adopted, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Communication from the Finance Commission of the City of Boston.

A communication from the Finance Commission of the city of Boston remonstrating against the passage of the Bill to provide for improvements in the north end of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 373), — was laid before the Senate; and it was placed on file.

Boston, — improvements in the north end.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill to establish the public welfare commission in the city of Waltham (House, No. 1367, changed, — on the petition of George R. Beal, mayor, and others), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Waltham, — public welfare commission.

Reports

Of the committee on Administration and Commissions, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1024) of Arthur E. Horton for legislation to establish a Massachusetts Drainage Board of Survey;

Drainage Board of Survey.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 614) of Elihu D. Stone relative to the punishment for murder (Messrs. Abbott and Granfield, of the House, dissenting); and

Murder, — punishment.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 933) of J. Frank Chase for better moral protection for working women and girls under twenty-one years of age;

Working women and girls, — protection.

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 648) of Charles A. Flanagan relative to certain leaves of absence for veterans of the civil, Spanish and European wars;

Veteran soldiers and sailors, — leaves of absence.

Of the committee on Municipal Finance, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioners), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 661) of Chester B. Williams and others that the town of Wayland be authorized to refund certain indebtedness;

Wayland, — refunding of indebtedness.

Of the committee on Public Institutions, no legislation necessary, on the message from the Governor transmitting a list of pardons granted during the year 1918 (Senate, No. 2);

Pardons granted during 1918.

Of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 989) of D. F. Reardon for an investigation by the Public Service Com-

Railroad corporations and street railway companies, — relations.

mission of the relations existing between railroads and railways in this Commonwealth;

Maternity
board and
benefits.

Of the committee on Social Welfare, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 91) of Edna Lawrence Spencer that provision be made for maternity benefits and for the creation of a maternity board;

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw:

Old age
pensions.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 294) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for the establishment of a system of non-contributory old age pensions (Mr. Kearney, of the Senate, dissenting);

Id.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 295) of Patrick J. Guerin for the establishment of a State system of old age annuities (Mr. Kearney, of the Senate, dissenting);

Id.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 994) of Wendell Phillips Thoré for the establishment of a system of non-contributory old age pensions (Mr. Kearney, of the Senate, dissenting);

Id.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 995) of Wendell Phillips Thoré and another for the establishment of a system of old age pensions and other protection against want (Mr. Kearney, of the Senate, dissenting); and

Id.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 996) of Wendell Phillips Thoré and another for the establishment of a system of non-contributory pensions to protect citizens from want in old age or during disability or unemployment (Mr. Kearney, of the Senate, dissenting); and

Malden Public
Library, —
additional
property.

Of the committee on State House and Libraries, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1411) of the trustees of the Malden Public Library for authority to hold additional real and personal property;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Berkshire
Street Railway
Company, —
sale of
electricity.

The Senate Bill to authorize the Berkshire Street Railway Company to sell electricity for certain purposes (Senate, No. 374), — was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The Senate adopted the pending amendment in section 1, previously moved by Mr. Beck, — adding at the end thereof the words "the transmission to be either from one electric company for delivery to another electric company, or from one electric company to the same electric company in other territory in which it is authorized to do business."

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Compulsory
registration
and balloting.

The Bill relative to compulsory registration and balloting (printed as House, No. 747), — was considered; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Loring.

The Senate Bill relative to the acquisition by railroad corporations of stocks and securities of other corporations, companies and associations, and to purchases, leases and mergers of such corporations (printed as House, No. 1138, changed), — was considered; and, pending the amendments previously moved by Mr. Beck, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of Mr. Curtin.

Railroad corporations, — acquisition of stocks and securities of other corporations.

The Senate Bill relative to the number of doorkeepers, assistant doorkeepers, messengers and pages of the General Court (Senate, No. 319), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

General Court, — doorkeepers, messengers and pages.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

The Bill relative to the taking of water from the Ipswich River by the cities of Lynn, Peabody, Salem and Beverly and the town of Danvers (House, No. 1474), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Brown, the bill was laid on the table.

Lynn, Peabody, Salem, Beverly and Danvers, — water from the Ipswich River.

The bills

Relative to the hunting of ruffed grouse, woodcock, quail, gray squirrels, hares and rabbits (Senate, No. 392);

Relative to the recording of admissions to the bar of attorneys at law (House, No. 765);

To authorize the Metropolitan Park Commission to care for and maintain Bunker Hill Monument (House, No. 1389, amended);

To prevent fraud in the packing of merchandise (House, No. 1494, amended); and

To change the name of the Grace Universalist Society of Lowell (House, No. 1496);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill in relation to the issue of bonds of the city of Boston to provide for the cost of work preliminary to the construction of the additional station in the Boylston Street subway (Senate, No. 239, changed), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft entitled: "An Act relative to the preparation of plans for the construction of the additional Boylston Street subway station" (Senate, No. 402).

Boston, — additional station at Boylston Street subway.

This amendment was adopted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 402), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The Senate Bill to extend the time for filing returns of taxable property by foreign corporations (Senate, No. 388), — was read

Foreign corporations, — filing returns

of taxable
property.

a third time; and the question on passing the bill to be engrossed was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Curtin, John A.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Loring, Augustus P.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 13.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Foley, William J.

Messrs. Halliwell, John
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Winchester, Charles A. — 18.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. Walter A. Hardy,
Mr. Charles S. Smith (present),
Mr. George B. Churchill,
Mr. Arthur L. Nason (present),

NAYS.

Mr. John J. Walsh (present).
Mr. Joseph O. Knox.
Mr. Charles D. Brown (present).
Mr. Harold L. Perrin. — 8.

So the bill was rejected.

Employees in
private
families, —
weekly pay-
ment of wages.

The Senate Bill to provide for the weekly payment of wages to employees in private families (Senate, No. 379), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be recommitted to the committee on Labor.

This recommendation was adopted and, accordingly, the bill was recommitted to the committee on Labor.

Gas and
electricity, —
increases
in price.

The Senate bill to provide that increases in the price of gas and electricity shall not be made unless approved by the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners (printed as House, No. 282), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be recommitted to the committee on Public Lighting.

This recommendation was adopted and, accordingly, the bill was recommitted to the committee on Public Lighting.

Wage boards, —
filling of
vacancies.

The Senate Bill to provide for filling vacancies on wage boards (printed as House, No. 400), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out section 2.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Wage boards, —
notices of
hearings, etc.

The Senate Bill to provide for the posting of notices of hearings, nominations for wage boards, and of decrees of the Minimum

Wage Commission (printed as House, No. 401) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 1, by striking out, in line 20, the word "act", and inserting in place thereof the word "section".

This amendment was adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill to require employers to keep records of the working hours of women and minors in certain cases (printed as House, No. 402) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out section 2.

Women and minors, — records of working hours.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bills

Relative to the time for the organization of the Bay State Life Insurance Company (Senate, No. 387); and

Senate bills.

Relative to the maximum pension payable to retired school janitors or attendance officers in the city of Boston (printed as House, No. 533) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill relative to the sale of coke, charcoal and kindling-wood (House, No. 486, changed), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by inserting after section 2 the following new section: "SECTION 3. Violation of this act shall be punished by a fine not exceeding fifty dollars for each offense. The Commissioner of Standards and the local sealers of weights and measures shall cause the provisions of this act to be enforced"; and

Coke, charcoal and kindling-wood, — sale.

In section 4 (section 3, as printed), by striking out, in line 6, the words "is hereby repealed", and inserting in place thereof the words "and section two of said chapter four hundred and twenty-four are hereby repealed, but without affecting any penalty or liability incurred thereunder prior to the taking effect of this act."

These amendments were adopted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended, was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments.

The House Bill relative to the filing of returns by certain banks (House, No. 1481), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel,

Banks, — filing of returns.

for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out section 3.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Corporations,
— dissolution.

The House Bill to dissolve certain corporations (House, No. 1490, amended), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by adding the following new section: "SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage."

This amendment was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Jackson, the bill was further amended by inserting after the name "Vapo Company, The", the name "Varnesis Medicine Company, The".

On motion of Mr. Hobbs, the bill was further amended by inserting after the name "Belmont Stone and Sand Company", the name "Benson Trucking Company".

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the several amendments, which were sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Knox.

Twenty-sixth
Division,
United States
Army, —
parade.

The House Bill making an appropriation for the expenses of a parade in Boston of the Twenty-sixth Division, United States Army, and for other like expenses (House, No. 1491), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by adding the following new section: "SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage."

This amendment was adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

House bills.

The House bills

Relative to the preservation of examination papers by the State Examiners of Electricians (House, No. 347);

To authorize the town of North Attleborough to supply the town of Plainville with water (House, No. 1460); and

Authorizing the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game to regulate the taking of smelt in great ponds (House, No. 1473);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Civil service
laws, —
changes.

The Senate Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 64) of Frederick S. Deitrick and others for changes in the civil service laws, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Hastings.

Hunting and
fishing licenses.

The House Report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 470) of the Springfield Fish and Game Association relative to hunting and fishing licenses, — was considered; and, pending

the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Wednesday, on motion of Mr. Prescott.

The House Report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game (House, No. 873) as was considered by said committee (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 879 to 894, inclusive), — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

Mr. Kearney moved that the report be amended by substituting a "Bill to provide for the appointment of an inspector of fresh fish" (printed as House, No. 892).

Pending this amendment and pending the main question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of the same Senator.

The House reports

Of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 13) of Thomas A. Niland that fire insurance companies be required to pay a part of the cost of equipping and maintaining municipal fire departments;

Of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 193) of Thomas A. Niland that fire insurance companies be required to pay certain sums of money for the relief of firemen or their families in case of injury or death; and

Of the committee on Public Lighting, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 33) of Thomas A. Niland that the price of gas sold in the cities of Boston and Chelsea be established;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Kearney, at twenty-four minutes before four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, March 25, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*Fire depart-
ments, — day
and night
forces.

By Mr. Jackson, for the committee on Cities, that the recommended Senate Bill to provide for the division into day and night forces of permanent members of fire departments (Senate, No. 365), ought to pass in a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 403) (Mr. Woodill, of the House, dissenting);

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Assistant
clerks of
Senate and
House, —
salaries.

By Mr. Hastings, for the committee on Public Service, on the petition of Henry G. Wells, a Bill to establish the salary of William H. Sanger as Assistant Clerk of the Senate and the salary of Frank E. Bridgman as Assistant Clerk of the House of Representatives (Senate, No. 159);

Hampshire,
Franklin and
Barnstable
counties, —
registers of
probate and
insolvency.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of George B. Churchill, a Bill relative to clerical assistance for the registers of probate and insolvency for the counties of Hampshire, Franklin and Barnstable (Senate, No. 200);

Police, district
and municipal
courts, — sec-
ond assistant
clerks.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of Harold L. Perrin, a Bill relative to the salaries of the second assistant clerks of police, district and municipal courts (Senate, No. 206, — changed by the committee in section 1, by striking out, in line 4, the word "five-eighths", and inserting in place thereof the words "sixty per cent");

Berkshire
County, —
register of
probate and
insolvency.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of Arthur M. Robinson, a Bill relative to clerical assistance for the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Berkshire (Senate, No. 303);

Suffolk
County, —
additional
assistant clerk
of Superior
Court for
civil business.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of Francis A. Campbell, a Bill to provide for an additional assistant clerk of the Superior Court for civil business for the county of Suffolk (printed as House, No. 813);

Suffolk
County, —
court officer
for Land Court.

By Mr. Perrin, for the same committee, on the petition of Joseph H. Bonner and others, a Bill relative to the compensation of the court officer for the Land Court for the county of Suffolk (Senate, No. 13, — changed by the committee in section 2, by striking out, in line 3, the word "January", and inserting in place thereof the word "July");

Adjutant
General, —
salary.

By Mr. Loring, for the same committee, on the petition of Herbert Parker and another, a Bill to establish the salary of the Adjutant General (Senate, No. 203);

Methuen, —
clerical work
for trial
justice.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of Albion G. Peirce, a Bill relative to payment for the clerical

work of the trial justice in the city of Methuen (printed as House, No. 510, — changed by the committee in section 1, line 1, and in the title, respectively, by striking out the word "town", and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the word "city"); and

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of James J. Moynihan, a Bill to establish the first assistant clerk of the Superior Court for criminal business in the county of Suffolk and to fix his salary (printed as House, No. 982);

Suffolk County, — first assistant clerk of Superior Court for criminal business.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Perrin, for the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 247) of Arthur L. Nason for legislation to provide an allowance for clerical and similar expenses for members of the General Court;

General Court, — clerical assistance for members.

By Mr. Loring, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 243) of Horace Guild and another for legislation relative to the assistant clerk of the Superior Court for criminal business for the county of Suffolk; and

Suffolk County, — assistant clerk of Superior Court for criminal business.

By Mr. Hobbs, for the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the recommitted petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1298) of the Dorchester Board of Trade for a physical connection between the Shawmut branch of the Old Colony Railroad Company and the Midland division of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company (Mr. Winchester, of the Senate, dissenting);

Old Colony Railroad, — connecting Shawmut branch with Midland division of New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Nichols moved that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had rejected the Senate Bill to extend the time for filing returns of taxable property by foreign corporations (Senate, No. 388); and the consideration of this motion was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of the same Senator.

Foreign corporations, — filing returns of taxable property.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which it had postponed the consideration of the motion to reconsider; and there being no objection, the motion to postpone was then withdrawn, at the request of Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Smith moved that the further consideration of the motion to reconsider be postponed until the following Monday.

Mr. Reed moved that the further consideration thereof be postponed until the following Tuesday.

The question being put on the latter motion (that motion having precedence, under the rule), the same prevailed; and, accordingly, the further consideration of the motion to reconsider was postponed until the following Tuesday.

Orders Adopted.

Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit:—

Committee on
Legal Affairs,
— travel.

Ordered, That the committee on Legal Affairs be authorized to travel in the discharge of its duties, in the city of Boston, on or before March 26th.

Subsequently, Mr. McLane, for the joint committee on Rules, reported that the order ought to be adopted; and it was considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, further moved by Mr. McLane, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Beck offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit:—

Joint com-
mittees, —
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which joint committees are required, under the provisions of the 10th joint rule, to make final report upon all matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended to Wednesday, April 2.

Subsequently, the same Senator, for the joint committee on Rules, reported that the order ought to be adopted; and it was considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McLane, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Order.

Mr. Hardy of Worcester offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit:—

Committee on
Labor, —
travel.

Ordered, That the committee on Labor be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the city of New Bedford, on or before April 15th.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Boston public
library, —
additional
property.

A Bill relative to the authority of the trustees of the public library of the city of Boston to take and hold real and personal property (House, No. 708, changed, — on the petition of Andrew J. Peters, mayor), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Reports

State board
of electric
light, heat
and power.

Of the committee on Administration and Commissions, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 557) of L. W. E. Kimball and others for the establishment of a State board of electric light, heat and power;

Boston police
department, —
eight-hour day.

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 731) of Frank H. Cowin for an eight-hour day for members of the police department of the city of Boston;

Fire insurance,
— rules, rates
and regulations.

Of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 222) of Philip R.

Ammidon relative to the rules, rates and regulations of the fire insurance business;

Of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1258) of James W. Hayes relative to the admission of girls under the age of twenty-one to public dance halls; and

Dance halls, — admission of girls.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1259) of James W. Hayes that dances on Saturday nights be prohibited unless held by chartered charitable and religious organizations;

Saturday night dances, — restriction.

Of the committee on State House and Libraries, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1260) of Robert W. Renfrew and another that the charter of the Proprietors of the Social Law Library be revoked;

Social Law Library, — revocation of charter.

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 711) of the Massachusetts Single Tax League for the separate assessment of buildings, land improvements and the site value of land; and

Buildings and land, — separate assessment.

Of the committee on Water Supply, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 843) of Roscoe Walsworth and another that the city of Revere be authorized to discontinue supplying water to the town of Saugus;

Saugus, — water from Revere.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate Resolutions favoring the cancellation of the contract between the farmers of the country and the United States government as to guaranteed price of wheat (Senate, No. 372), had been referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the House having refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of said rule.

Wheat, — cancellation of contract for guaranteed price.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

To authorize the city of New Bedford to incur additional indebtedness for new school-houses;

Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

Relative to the mode of ascertaining whether specified individuals have filed income tax returns;

Authorizing the trustees of certain textile schools to insure their school buildings and contents;

To authorize the city of Cambridge to incur indebtedness for the construction of an addition to its city hospital;

Authorizing the city of Pittsfield to pay certain sums of money to the widows of Frank Condon and Michael Bartell;

Relative to the commitment of insane persons to Gardner State Colony;

Permitting the division of cities into convenient assessment districts;

To establish the time for submitting the annual budget to the General Court;

Relative to the publication of lists of candidates to be voted for at city elections; and

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To authorize the fire district of the town of Dalton to take and use the Windsor reservoir.

Resolve
passed, etc.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of the widow and child of John J. McCarthy (which originated in the House), — was passed and, with the above-named bills, was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate bills

Motor-vehicles,
— operation.

Relative to the operation of motor-vehicles (Senate, No. 367); and

Boston, —
additional
station at
Boylston
Street subway.

Relative to the preparation of plans for the construction of the additional Boylston Street subway station (Senate, No. 402);

Were severally passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Coke, charcoal
and kindling-
wood, — sale.

The House Bill relative to the sale of coke, charcoal and kindling-wood (House, No. 486, changed), — was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments previously adopted by the Senate.

Mr. Smith moved that the bill be further amended by inserting after section 4 (section 3, as printed), the following new section: "SECTION 5. Nothing in this act shall be construed to prohibit sales of kindling-wood in bulk."

Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments previously adopted by the Senate, the further consideration thereof was postponed, on motion of Mr. Halliwell, by a vote of 19 to 0, until the following Monday.

Board of
Commissioners
on Fisheries
and Game, —
recommendations.

The House Report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game (House, No. 873) as was considered by said committee (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 879 to 894, inclusive), — was considered, the main question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

The Senate adopted the pending amendment, previously moved by Mr. Kearney, — that a "Bill to provide for the appointment of an inspector of fresh fish" (printed as House, No. 892), be substituted; and, accordingly, the bill was substituted; and it was read and, under the rule, was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bill.

The Bill to establish the public welfare commission in the city of Waltham (House, No. 1367, changed), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Boston, — im-
provements in
north end.

The Senate Bill to provide for improvements in the north end of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 373), — was read a third time.

Mr. Walsh moved that the bill be amended by striking out section 6 and inserting in place thereof the following: — "SECTION 6. For the foregoing purposes, the city may incur indebtedness

within or without the statutory limit as the city council may determine, to an amount not exceeding five million dollars, and the city treasurer shall, from time to time as authorized by the mayor and city council, issue therefor serial bonds of the city. Such bonds shall be denominated on their face, North End Improvement Bonds of the city of Boston, Act of 1919, shall be countersigned by the mayor, shall bear interest in accordance with the provisions of chapter fifty-two of the Special Acts of 1918, and shall be payable by such annual payments, beginning not more than one year after their respective dates, as will extinguish each loan within twenty years of its date, provided that no indebtedness shall be incurred under this act after the thirty-first day of January, nineteen hundred and twenty-two. Each issue thereof shall constitute a separate loan."

Pending this amendment and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Nichols.

The Senate Bill to require cities and towns to make just and adequate provision for their returning soldiers, sailors and marines (Senate, No. 383), — was read a third time and was amended, on motion of Mr. Hastings, by substituting a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 404).

Soldiers, sailors and marines, — municipal provision.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 404), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The Senate Bill to authorize trust companies having savings departments, savings banks and institutions for savings to place deposits on interest monthly (printed as House, No. 567), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out sections 4 and 5 and inserting in place thereof the following: — "SECTION 4. Chapter five hundred and ninety of the Acts of nineteen hundred and eight is hereby amended by striking out section sixty and substituting the following: — 'Section 60. The income of such corporation, after deducting the reasonable expenses incurred in the management thereof, the taxes paid to the Commonwealth, and the amounts set apart for the guaranty fund, shall be divided among its depositors, or their legal representatives, at times fixed by its by-laws, in the following manner: an ordinary dividend shall be declared every six months from income which has been earned, and which has been collected during the six months next preceding the date of such dividend, except that there may be appropriated from the earnings remaining undivided after declaration of the preceding semi-annual dividend an amount sufficient to declare an ordinary dividend at a rate not in excess thereof; but the total dividends declared during any twelve months shall not exceed the net income of such corporation actually collected during such period, except upon written approval of the commissioner. Dividends shall be treated as deposits, and if not withdrawn shall be considered, in computing the dividend next

Savings banks, etc., — interest on deposits.

following, as having been on deposit for the preceding six months. Ordinary dividends shall not exceed the rate of five per cent a year. No ordinary dividend shall be declared or paid except as above provided, nor upon a deposit of less than three months' standing; but if the by-laws so provide, ordinary dividends may be declared and paid upon deposits of one, two, four or five months standing. Such corporation may, by its by-laws, provide that a dividend shall not be declared or paid on less than three dollars, or on the fractional part of a dollar.'"

This amendment was adopted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended, was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Boston, Chelsea, Everett and Winthrop, — bridges.

The Senate Bill relative to the cost of construction and maintenance of the bridges between the cities of Boston, Chelsea and Everett and the town of Winthrop (printed as House, No. 968), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft entitled: "An Act to enable certain cities and towns to meet their obligations relative to certain bridge expenses" (Senate, No. 405).

This amendment was adopted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 405), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Attorneys, — standing.

The House Bill to require the keeping of certain records relative to the standing of attorneys at law (House, No. 765) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section two, by striking out, in line 7, the word "passage", and inserting in place thereof the words "taking effect."

This amendment was adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

School-houses, — display of the flag.

The House Bill relative to the display of the flag on school buildings (House, No. 1199), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft entitled: "An Act relative to the display of the flag on school-houses" (Senate, No. 406).

This amendment was adopted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 406), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

House bill.

The House Bill to provide for the maintenance of Bunker Hill Monument by the Commonwealth under the control of the Metropolitan Park Commission (House, No. 1389, amended)

(its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House reports

Of the committee on Administration and Commissions, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1024) of Arthur E. Horton for legislation to establish a Massachusetts Drainage Board of Survey; House reports.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 614) of Elihu D. Stone relative to the punishment for murder;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 933) of J. Frank Chase for better moral protection for working women and girls under twenty-one years of age;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 648) of Charles A. Flanagan relative to certain leaves of absence for veterans of the civil, Spanish and European wars;

Of the committee on Municipal Finance, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioners), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 661) of Chester B. Williams and others that the town of Wayland be authorized to refund certain indebtedness;

Of the committee on Public Institutions, no legislation necessary, on a message from the Governor transmitting a list of pardons granted during the year 1918 (Senate, No. 2);

Of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 989) of D. F. Reardon for an investigation by the Public Service Commission of the relations existing between railroads and railways in this Commonwealth; and

Of the committee on State House and Libraries, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1411) of the trustees of the Malden Public Library for authority to hold additional real and personal property;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The House Report of the committee on Social Welfare, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 91) of Edna Lawrence Spencer that provision be made for maternity benefits and for the creation of a maternity board, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Hobbs. Maternity board.

The House Report of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 294) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for the establishment of a system of non-contributory old age pensions, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further Old age pensions.

consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of Mr. Kearney.

Old age
pensions.

The House Report of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 295) of Patrick J. Guerin for the establishment of a State system of old age annuities, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of Mr. Kearney.

Id.

The House Report of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 994) of Wendell Phillips Thoré for the establishment of a system of non-contributory old age pensions, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of Mr. Kearney.

Id.

The House Report of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 995) of Wendell Phillips Thoré and another for the establishment of a system of old age pensions and other protection against want, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of Mr. Kearney.

Id.

The House Report of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 996) of Wendell Phillips Thoré and another for the establishment of a system of non-contributory pensions to protect citizens from want in old age or during disability or unemployment, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of Mr. Kearney.

On motion of Mr. McLane, at twenty-four minutes past three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, March 26, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill to authorize the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game to lease certain ponds in the town of Wareham for the artificial propagation of alewives (House, No. 1424, amended), ought to pass;

Wareham, —
leasing of
ponds for
propagation
of alewives.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the House Resolve authorizing the commissioners of the Massachusetts Nautical School to reimburse officers and cadets of the training ship "Nantucket" for certain losses sustained by them (House, No. 1454), ought to pass;

Training ship
"Nantucket",
— reimburse-
ment of officers
and cadets for
certain losses.

By Mr. Churchill, for the same committee, that the House Bill relative to allowances for travel duty to members of the militia (House, No. 321), ought to pass;

Militia, —
allowances for
travel duty.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the House Bill to make the Worcester department of the Grafton State Hospital a part of the Worcester State Hospital (House, No. 397), ought to pass;

Grafton State
Hospital.

By Mr. McLane, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to establish the compensation and mileage of jurors (Senate, No. 317), ought to pass; and

Jurors, —
mileage.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to authorize the purchase of historical works relative to the service of Massachusetts volunteers in the European War (printed as House, No. 73), ought to pass;

European War,
— purchase of
historical
works.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. McLane, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to provide for suitably aiding motherless dependent children (Senate, No. 212), ought to pass;

Motherless
dependent
children.

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

By Mr. Colburn, for the committees on Agriculture and Education, sitting jointly, on the petition of George H. Ellis, a Resolve providing for the erection of a dormitory for women at the Massachusetts Agricultural College (printed as House, No. 1277);

Massachusetts
Agricultural
College, —
dormitory
for women.

By Mr. Brown, for the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on the petition of Carl C. Emery, a Resolve providing for the appointment of a commission to report on the taking over of certain beaches in the county of Essex (printed as House, No. 256) (Mr. Haines, of the House, dissenting); and

Essex County,
— taking of
certain beaches.

Suffolk district, — office force of district attorney.

By Mr. Loring, for the committee on Public Service, on the petition of Joseph C. Pelletier (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 244), a Bill relative to the office force of the district attorney for the Suffolk district (Senate, No. 408);

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means,

Americans lost in war, — reparation from Germany.

By Mr. Halliwell, for the committee on Federal Relations, that the Resolutions in favor of compelling Germany and her allies to make financial reparation for the lives of Americans lost in the war (Senate, No. 356), ought to be adopted; and

Early declaration of peace.

By Mr. Nichols, for the same committee, on the petition of Francis N. Balch (accompanied by resolutions, House, No. 748), Resolutions favoring an early declaration of peace by the Allies with the German government, said declaration of peace to be followed by a proposal for a League of Nations (Senate, No. 407) (Mr. Cronin, of the Senate, and Messrs. Manning and Hayden, of the House, dissenting);

Severally read and the resolutions placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on adopting them.

Women and children, — hours of employment.

By Mr. Weston, for the committee on Social Welfare, on so much of the Governor's Address (Senate, No. 1) as relates to "Housing and Working Conditions"; the petition of James Tansey and others (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 16); the petition of Edward Callahan (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 128); the petition of Michael F. Malone (accompanied by bill, House, No. 173); the petition of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor (accompanied by bill, House, No. 293); the petition of the Women's Trade-Union League (accompanied by bill, House, No. 703); and the petition of Edward F. McLaughlin (accompanied by bill, House, No. 827), a Bill relative to the hours of employment of women and children (Senate, No. 16) (Mr. Colburn, of the Senate, and Mr. Greenwood, of the House, dissenting);

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Lynn Harbor, — dredging of flats.

By Mr. Brown, for the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 787) of John H. Cogswell and another that the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands be authorized to dredge flats in Lynn Harbor and to develop the uplands adjacent thereto;

Prostitution.

By Mr. Loring, for the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 183) of Joseph P. Walsh for the abatement as nuisances of places where prostitution and like offences are practiced;

Id.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 281) of Joseph P. Walsh that provision be made for repressing prostitution;

Registers of probate, — compensation of clerks.

By Mr. Hastings, for the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 117) of William G. Bassett and others for a temporary increase

in the compensation of clerks in the office of the several registers of probate; and

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 34) of Charles A. Kelley relative to the compensation of employees of State institutions;

State institutions, — compensation of employees.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Petition.

Mr. Counihan presented a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 409) of Edward A. Counihan, Jr., that William T. Anderson may be reinstated in the fire department of the city of Cambridge; and the petition was referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by the same Senator, to the committee on Cities.

Cambridge, — reinstatement of William J. Anderson.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill to provide for a record of Massachusetts soldiers and sailors in the present war (House, No. 1434, — in part, on the petition of M. A. O'Brien, Jr., accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 71 and 72), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Soldiers and sailors of the present war, — records.

Bills

To authorize the city of Cambridge to retire and pension certain employees of the board of health (House, No. 1001, amended, — on the petition of Julius Meyers);

Cambridge, — retirement of employees of board of health.

To prohibit the killing of partridge or ruffed grouse until the open season in nineteen hundred and twenty (House, No. 1486, — on the petitions of the Springfield Fish and Game Association accompanied by bill, House, No. 585; and of George M. Worral, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1204; and in part on the recommendations of the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game, House, No. 873, see House, No. 886); and

Ruffed grouse, — close season.

Relative to the compensation of members of the board of aldermen of the city of Fall River (House, No. 1492, — on the petition of Alvin G. Weeks, accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 21);

Fall River board of aldermen, — compensation.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

A Report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches with reference to the House Bill to establish a close season for the hunting or killing of raccoons (House, No. 591), — recommending that the House recede from its non-concurrence in the Senate amendment (in section 1, inserting after the word "kill", in line 2, the words "or have in possession"), and concur therein with an amendment adding after the word "possession", the words "except as provided in chapter five hundred and sixty-seven of the Acts of nineteen hundred and twelve,"; and that the Senate concur in the amendment of the amendment, — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Committee of conference, — raccoons.

Revere, —
reinstatement
of Thomas
W. Dowd.

A Report of the committee on Cities, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1316) of Michael F. Shaw and another that Thomas W. Dowd be authorized to petition for reinstatement in the police force of the city of Revere, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Legal Affairs, — was read and accepted, in concurrence.

Reports

Of the committee on Administration and Commissions, leave to withdraw:

Massachusetts
Food Com-
mission.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 186) of Leo S. Hamburger for the establishment of a Massachusetts Food Commission (Messrs. Green and Bigney, of the House, dissenting); and

Prices of
food, —
regulation.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1182) of L. S. Hamburger that the wholesale and retail prices of staple articles of food be regulated (Messrs. Green and Bigney, of the House, dissenting);

Boston police
department, —
hours of duty
and overtime
compensation.

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 732) of Clarence W. Rowley that the hours of duty of police officers in the city of Boston be established and that overtime compensation be allowed;

Fire insurance
policy, —
standard form.

Of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 182) of Louis Swig for a revision of the so-called standard form of fire insurance policy (Mr. Hamburger, of the House, dissenting);

Boston Ele-
vated Railway
Company, —
use of certain
money.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 60) of Thomas A. Niland relative to the recovery of money paid by the Boston Elevated Railway Company in opposing the entrance into Boston of the lines of the Boston and Worcester Street Railway Company;

Medford, —
expenses for
State Guard.

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 647) of the city solicitor of Medford that said city by reimbursed for money expended for a company of the State Guard;

Boston and
vicinity, —
electrification
of railroads.

Of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 987) of William H. McDonnell and another for the electrification of the railroads operated in or about the city of Boston;

Municipal em-
ployees in Fed-
eral service, —
reinstatement.

Of the committee on Reconstruction, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 691) of Joseph B. Aigen for the reinstatement as employees of cities and towns of employees who entered the military or naval service during the European War; and

Id.

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1246) of William H. McDonnell that persons discharged from the military or naval service of the United States be reinstated in the service of municipalities;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

The following House petitions and resolutions were referred, in concurrence:—

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1407) of John I. Fitzgerald for the appointment of a second deputy to the Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions; Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions, — second deputy.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Administration and Commissions.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1498) of William H. McDonnell that the city of Boston be authorized to pay an annuity to the widow of Thomas H. Lynch; Boston, — widow of Thomas H. Lynch.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Cities.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1499) of Michael H. Sullivan relative to appropriations by the school-committee of the city of Boston; Boston, — appropriations by the school-committee.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Education.

Resolutions urging the President to call an extra session of Congress (House, No. 1500); Congress, — extra session.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Federal Relations.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1501) of George W. A. Dawson and another that death benefits of the Boston Police Relief Association be extended to certain members discharged or resigning from the police department of the city; Boston Police Relief Association, — death benefits.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Insurance.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1502) of John L. Bates and others for legislation to prevent the promotion of anarchy; Anarchy.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1503) of John L. Bates and others for legislation to prohibit the possession of firearms by aliens; and Aliens, — possession of firearms.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1504) of Alvin E. Bliss for the establishment of the penalty for unlawfully carrying pistols, revolvers and other firearms; Unlawfully carrying firearms, — penalty.

Severally, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, in each instance, to the committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of the Boston Central Woman's Christian Temperance Union in aid of the petition of Fred P. Greenwood relative to regulating the quality of coal sold in the Commonwealth; Sale of coal, — quality.

To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1505) of William H. McDonnell for the payment of an annuity to the widow of Francis L. Costello of the police force of the Metropolitan Park Commission; Widow of Francis L. Costello, — annuity.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Marshfield, —
ratification
of acts.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1506) of William L. Sprague, selectman, for a ratification of the acts of the town of Marshfield at its annual town-meeting;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Towns.

The following House order was referred, in concurrence, to the joint special committee appointed to assist in welcoming returning soldiers, sailors and marines: —

Governor, —
lists of resi-
dents who have
lost their lives
in military or
naval service.

Ordered, That His Excellency the Governor be requested to notify the various cities and towns in the Commonwealth to send in a list of names of former residents of the said cities and towns who have lost their lives in the military or naval service of the United States during the present war, in order that tickets for the spectators' stands, to be erected in the city of Boston by the Commonwealth for the parade of the 26th Division, may be furnished to the parents, wives or next of kin of the soldiers and sailors in the said communities who have made the supreme sacrifice for their country.

Emergency Preambles Adopted.

European
corn-borer and
other pests.

An engrossed Bill relative to the suppression of the European corn-borer and other insect pests and plant diseases (see Senate, No. 327, amended), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curtin, John A.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 34.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.

Messrs. Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F. — 5.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.
Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

An engrossed Bill to authorize cities and towns to raise and appropriate money for memorials to soldiers, sailors and marines (see Senate, No. 339, amended), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

Municipal
memorials to
soldiers, sailors
and marines.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curtin, John A.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 34.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.

Messrs. Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F. — 5.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

An engrossed Bill to provide for giving persons in war service further time to file income tax returns (see House, No. 1457), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

Soldiers and
sailors, —
income tax
returns.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Churchill, George B.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curtin, John A.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 32.

NAYS.—0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.	Messrs. Hardy, Leonard F.
Colburn, Arthur W.	Smith, Charles S.
Curran, George E.	Sullivan, Peter F. — 7.
Dahlborg, Edward N.	

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Armories, —
use for enter-
tainments.

The engrossed Bill relative to the use of armories for certain entertainments (see House, No. 1482), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.	Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Brown, Charles D.	Kearney, John J.
Callahan, Edward	Knox, Joseph O.
Cavanagh, James F.	Loring, Augustus P.
Churchill, George B.	Mahoney, John J.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.	McIntosh, David S.
Cronin, John	McLane, Walter E.
Curtin, John A.	Nason, Arthur L.
Eames, Edward B.	Nichols, Malcolm E.
Finkel, Samuel B.	Perrin, Harold L.
Foley, William J.	Prescott, Francis
Gifford, Charles L.	Reed, Silas D.
Halliwell, John	Tarbell, Warren E.
Hardy, Leonard F.	Walsh, John J.
Hardy, Walter A.	Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Hastings, George A.	Winchester, Charles A. — 33.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.	

NAYS.—0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.	Messrs. Dahlborg, Edward N.
Colburn, Arthur W.	Smith, Charles S.
Curran, George E.	Sullivan, Peter F. — 6.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first five of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To authorize the city of Boston to pension Jeremiah J. Crowley;

To authorize the city of Boston to pension Matthew H. McEttrick;

To authorize the city of New Bedford to incur indebtedness for purposes of sewer construction;

Authorizing the city of Boston to raise money for the improvement of the East Boston ferry service;

To authorize the city of New Bedford to incur indebtedness for reconstructing and furnishing the old high school, so called;

To authorize the Museum of Fine Arts to hold additional real and personal estate; and

Relative to the election of certain trustees of Tufts College.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate bills

To require cities and towns to make just and adequate provision for their returning soldiers, sailors and marines (Senate, No. 404);

Soldiers, sailors and marines, — municipal provision.

To enable certain cities and towns to meet their obligations relative to certain bridge expenses (Senate, No. 405); and

Boston, Chelsea, Everett and Winthrop, — bridges.

Relative to the display of the flag on school-houses (Senate, No. 406);

School-houses, — display of the flag.

Were severally passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill to authorize trust companies having savings departments, savings banks and institutions for savings to place deposits on interest monthly (printed as House, No. 567), — was considered; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, with the amendment previously adopted by the Senate, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Curtin.

Savings banks, etc., — interest on deposits.

The Senate Bill to provide for improvements in the north end of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 373), — was considered; and, pending the amendment previously moved by Mr. Walsh, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of Mr. Cavanagh.

Boston, — improvements in north end.

The House Report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 470) of the Springfield Fish and Game Association relative to hunting and fishing licenses, — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

Hunting and fishing licenses.

On motion of Mr. Prescott, the report was amended by substituting a "Bill relative to hunting and fishing licenses" (Senate, No. 410); and the bill was read and, under the rule, was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

The bills

To provide for the division into day and night forces of permanent members of fire departments (Senate, No. 403); and

Bill.

Relative to the authority of the trustees of the public library of the city of Boston to take and hold real and personal property (House, No 708, changed);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Senate bill.

The Senate Bill changing the penalty provided for the protection of certain game (Senate, No. 362) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

House bills.

The House bills

Relative to the contents of the employer's pledge accompanying employment certificates (House, No. 825) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

To establish the public welfare commission in the city of Waltham (House, No. 1367, changed); and

To prevent fraud in the packing of merchandise (House, No. 1494, amended);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Grace Universalist Society of Lowell.

The House Bill to change the name of the Grace Universalist Society of Lowell (House, No. 1496), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be rejected, as the purpose sought might be readily and expeditiously accomplished under the provisions of general law, to wit: Chapter one hundred and sixty-three of the Acts of nineteen hundred and eight, as amended by chapter two hundred and five of the General Acts of nineteen hundred and fifteen.

The bill was rejected.

Suffolk County, — assistant clerk of Superior Court for criminal business.

The Senate Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 243) of Horace Guild and another for legislation relative to the assistant clerk of the Superior Court for criminal business for the county of Suffolk, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was recommitted to the said committee, on motion of Mr. Loring.

Senate report.

The Senate Report of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 247) of Arthur L. Nason for legislation to provide an allowance for clerical and similar expenses for members of the General Court, — was accepted

Sent down for concurrence.

Old Colony Railroad, — connecting Shawmut branch with Midland division of New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad.

The Senate Report of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the recommitted petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1298) of The Dorchester Board of Trade for a physical connection between the Shawmut branch of the Old Colony Railroad Company and the Midland division of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company,

— was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Hobbs.

The House reports

Of the committee on Administration and Commissions, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 557) of L. W. E. Kimball and others for the establishment of a State board of electric light, heat and power; House reports.

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 731) of Frank H. Cowin for an eight-hour day for members of the police department of the city of Boston;

Of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 222) of Philip R. Ammidon relative to the rules, rates and regulations of the fire insurance business;

Of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1258) of James W. Hayes relative to the admission of girls under the age of twenty-one to public dance halls;

Of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1259) of James W. Hayes that dances on Saturday nights be prohibited unless held by chartered charitable and religious organizations;

Of the committee on State House and Libraries, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1260) of Robert W. Renfrew and another that the charter of the Proprietors of the Social Law Library be revoked;

Of the committee of Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 711) of the Massachusetts Single Tax League for the separate assessment of buildings, land improvements and the site value of land; and

Of the committee on Water Supply, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 843) of Roscoe Walsworth and another that the city of Revere be authorized to discontinue supplying water to the town of Saugus.

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Mahoney, at twenty-five minutes past three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, March 27, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*Haverhill, —
Company F;
machine gun
company.

By Mr. Tarbell, for the committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of Charles F. Glover and others, a Bill to authorize the city of Haverhill to pay a certain sum of money to the members of Company F, the machine gun company, detached members of the Massachusetts State Guard, and enlisted men (printed as House, No. 76); and

Deputy Com-
missioner of
Health.

By Mr. Chamberlain, for the committee on Public Health, on the recommendations of the State Department of Health (House, No. 1145) (in part), a Bill providing for the appointment of a Deputy Commissioner of Health (printed as House, No. 1147);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Committee on
Agriculture, —
travel.

By Mr. Eames, for the joint committee on Rules, that the Senate Order that the committee on Agriculture be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the towns of Warwick and Orange, on or before March 22nd, — ought to be adopted, with an amendment striking out "March 22nd", and inserting in place thereof "April 10, at an expense not to exceed two hundred dollars.";

Read, and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Beck, amended, as had been recommended by the joint committee on Rules, and, as amended, adopted.

Committee on
Harbors and
Public Lands,
— travel.

By Mr. McLane, for the joint committee on Rules, that the Senate Order that the committee on Harbors and Public Lands be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the cities of Lowell, Lawrence, Haverhill, Newburyport, Lynn and Worcester, on or before April 15th, — ought to be adopted, with amendments inserting after the word "Haverhill," the word "and"; striking out the words "Lynn and Worcester"; and adding at the end thereof the words " , at an expense not to exceed two hundred dollars.";

Read, and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Beck, amended, as had been recommended by the joint committee on Rules, and, as amended, adopted.

Committee on
Labor, —
travel.

By Mr. McLane, for the joint committee on Rules, that the Senate Order that the committee on Labor be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the city of New Bedford, on or before April 15th, — ought to be adopted, with an amend-

ment adding at the end thereof the words “, at an expense not to exceed one hundred and fifty dollars.”;

Read, and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Beck, amended, as had been recommended by the joint committee on Rules, and, as amended, adopted.

By Mr. Eames, for the joint committee on Rules, that the Senate Order that the committee on Public Health be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, Spectacle Island, Boston, and the Taunton River on or before March 28th, — ought to be adopted, with an amendment striking out “March 28th”, and inserting in place thereof “April 4, at an expense not to exceed one hundred and twenty-five dollars.”;

Committee on
Public Health,
— travel.

Read, and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Beck, amended, as had been recommended by the joint committee on Rules, and, as amended, adopted.

By Mr. Eames, for the joint committee on Rules, that the Senate Order that the committee on Public Service be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the town of Framingham, on or before March 21, — ought to be adopted, with an amendment striking out “March 21”, and inserting in place thereof “April 1, at an expense not to exceed seventy-five dollars.”;

Committee on
Public Service,
— travel.

Read, and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Beck, amended, as had been recommended by the joint committee on Rules, and, as amended, adopted.

By Mr. Eames, for the joint committee on Rules, that the Senate Order that the committee on Roads and Bridges be authorized to travel, in the discharge of its duties, within the Commonwealth, on or before March 31st, — ought to be adopted, with an amendment striking out “March 31st”, and inserting in place thereof “April 20, at an expense not to exceed fifteen hundred and twenty-five dollars.”;

Committee on
Roads and
Bridges,
— travel.

Read, and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Beck, amended, as had been recommended by the joint committee on Rules, and, as amended, adopted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

By Mr. Cavanagh, for the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the recommended petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 151) of Arthur B. Hultman that the county of Norfolk be authorized to pay the counsel fees of the defendant in the case of D'Addario, Administrator, versus Hultman;

Norfolk
County, —
counsel fees.

By Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, for the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 944) of John C. Gordon relative to the protection of foxes and other fur-bearing animals kept in captivity;

Fur-bearing
animals in
captivity, —
protection.

By Mr. Reed, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 776) of A. C.

Entering ac-
tions and filing
petitions, —
fees.

Webber for an amendment of the law relative to the fees for entering actions and filing petitions in the courts of the Commonwealth;

Election days,
— ringing of
bells.

By Mr. Walsh, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 946) of Philip Emerson that provision be made for the ringing of bells on municipal and State election days; and

Boston, —
price of gas.

By Mr. Beck, for the committee on Public Lighting, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1106) of Lewis R. Sullivan relative to the price of gas in the city of Boston and to the authority of the Boston Consolidated Gas Company to furnish gas and declare dividends on the sliding scale system (Mr. Curran, of the Senate, and Messrs. Bullock, Collins, Bennett, Plattner and Harrington, of the House, dissenting);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Reconsideration.

Bunker Hill
Monument.

Mr. Hobbs asked unanimous consent that he might move that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at a previous session, it had passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the House Bill to provide for the maintenance of Bunker Hill Monument by the Commonwealth under the control of the Metropolitan Park Commission (House, No. 1389, amended); and, there being no objection, this motion was entertained and prevailed.

Pending the recurring question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, it was amended, on further motion of the same Senator, by adding at the end of section 2 the words “, and may annually expend from the treasury of the Commonwealth such sums as the General Court may appropriate.”

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Revere, —
water supply
for Saugus.

After the Orders of the Day had been disposed of, Mr. Beck asked unanimous consent that he might move that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had accepted, in concurrence, the House Report of the committee on Water Supply, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 843) of Roscoe Walsworth and another that the city of Revere be authorized to discontinue supplying water to the town of Saugus; and, there being no objection, this motion was entertained and prevailed.

Pending the recurring question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of the same Senator.

Additional Copies of Report Ordered Printed.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain, —

Special Recess
Commission on
Education, —
report.

Voted, That there be printed 1500 additional copies of the report of the Special Recess Commission on Education (Senate, No. 330).

Bills Ordered Reprinted.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain, —

Voted, That the following bills, severally accompanying the report of the Special Recess Commission on Education (Senate, No. 330), be reprinted as separate Senate documents, to wit: —

Bill relative to compulsory school attendance (Senate, No. 346). Compulsory school attendance.

Bill to require the establishment and maintenance of continuation schools and courses of instruction for employed minors (Senate, No. 347). Continuation schools.

Bill to promote the practice of school hygiene and the health and physical development of school children (Senate, No. 348). School hygiene.

Bill to provide for the certification of public school-teachers (Senate, No. 349). Public school-teachers.

Bill authorizing the employment of a State attendance officer (Senate, No. 350). State attendance officer.

Bill establishing the general school fund (Senate, No. 351). General school fund.

Bill relative to the distribution of the Massachusetts School Fund (Senate, No. 352). Massachusetts School Fund.

Bill to make certain corrections and additions in laws relating to the public schools (Senate, No. 353). Public schools, — laws.

Bill to establish the State Department of Education (Senate, No. 354). State Department of Education.

Bill to define the powers and duties of school-committees and the duties of superintendents of schools (Senate, No. 355). School-committees, — superintendents of schools.

Petition.

Mr. Halliwell presented a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 411) of Herbert Wing and others that the town of Dartmouth be authorized to make an additional water loan; and the petition was referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by the same Senator, to the committee on Municipal Finance. Dartmouth, — water loan.

Sent down for concurrence.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Brown, —

Ordered, That the General Court will receive the report of the joint special committee of the General Court of 1918 appointed to investigate the fish industry in this Commonwealth if such report is submitted not later than the thirtieth day of April, nineteen hundred and nineteen. Joint special committee on investigation of fish industry, — report.

Sent down for concurrence.

Order.

Mr. Winchester offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —

Ordered, That the Public Service Commission and the Transit Department of the city of Boston, succeeding to the statutory powers of the Boston Transit Commission as formerly estab- Boston, — rapid transit from Mattapan and Forest Hills section.

lished by law, be requested to consider jointly and report to the General Court not later than May tenth the desirability and practicability, from an engineering and operating standpoint, of any of the provisions of House Bills Number 1265 and 1298, with such specific recommendations and estimates of cost as they are able to prepare by said date, together with the draft of a bill or bills embodying such recommendations. They are asked to include in their report such studies as they are able to make by said date as to the practicability from an engineering and operating standpoint of extending the present rapid transit system of the Boston Elevated Railway Company within the City of Boston (1) by the construction of a rapid transit loop from the present terminus of the Dorchester Tunnel at Andrew Square, via tracks on the location of the Old Colony Division of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad, and the Shawmut Branch of said Division, and returning via tracks upon the location of the Midland Division of said railroad to Andrew Square; and also (2) by the construction of another rapid transit loop from the present terminus of the elevated structure of the Boston Elevated Railway Company at Forest Hills by tracks on the location of the West Roxbury Branch of the Providence Division of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad to Dedham, and returning from Dedham to Forest Hills by way of Readville by tracks on the location of the main line of said Providence Division.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Lynn, —
naturalization
sessions of the
Superior Court.

Clerks of
courts, —
offices in
certain cities.

Relative to sessions of the Superior Court in the city of Lynn for naturalization purposes (House, No. 479, changed, — on the petition of Charles Symonds and others); and

To authorize the clerks of the Superior Court to maintain offices in certain cities and towns (House, No. 604, on the petition of A. N. Frost);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills

Stockbridge
Library
Association.

Retired
teachers, —
holding of
office.

Swan Lake
Cemetery As-
sociation in
Dennis.

Boston, —
widow of
Charles E.
Deininger,

State highways,
— Federal aid.

To incorporate the Stockbridge Library Association (House, No. 136, changed, — on the petition of Edward B. Owen and others);

To legalize the holding of public elective office by teachers retired with a pension (House, No. 1128, on the petition of John E. Lynch);

To incorporate Swan Lake Cemetery Association in the town of Dennis (House, No. 1224, changed, — on the petition of Johnathan P. Edwards and others);

To authorize the city of Boston to pay an annuity to the widow of Charles E. Deininger (House, No. 1421, on the petition of James J. Mulvey);

To enable the Commonwealth to secure Federal aid in the construction of highways (House, No. 1478, on the petition of the Massachusetts Highway Commission);

To provide for the widening of L Street in the South Boston district of the city of Boston (House, No. 1487, amended, — on the petition of William J. Manning and another, accompanied by bill, House, No. 660);

South Boston,
— widening of
L Street.

To dispense with the production of witnesses in order to establish the right to assessment for a poll-tax or to registration as a voter (House, No. 1493, amended, — new draft of Senate Bill No. 332); and

Registration
of voters, —
witnesses.

Relative to the reserves of trust companies (House, No. 1495, — on the petition of William A. Lincoln and others, accompanied by bill, House, No. 905);

Trust
companies, —
reserves.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

The Senate Bill to authorize the Dracut Water Supply District to extend its territory (Senate, No. 359), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment adding at the end of section 1 the words: "The said district shall not enter upon, construct or lay any conduits, pipes or other works within the location of any railroad corporation, except at such time and in such manner as it may agree upon with such corporation, or, in case of failure so to agree, as may be approved by the Public Service Commission."

Dracut Water
Supply
District.

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Nason, and the amendment was considered forthwith and was adopted, in concurrence.

The Senate Report of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1254) of R. E. Bigney for the establishment by the Commonwealth of a Farm Colony for mental deficients, — came up, accepted, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out the words "petitioner have leave to withdraw", and inserting in place thereof the words "same be referred to the next General Court".

Farm Colony
for mental
deficients.

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Weston, and the amendment was considered forthwith and was adopted, in concurrence.

Reports

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 733) of Clarence W. Rowley that the minimum compensation of certain police officers in the city of Boston be established;

Boston police
department, —
minimum
compensation.

Of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 315) of Arthur A. Hall relative to the holding of caucuses or primaries in certain towns;

Towns, —
caucuses or
primaries.

Of the committee on Labor, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 771) of Edwin Mulready and another that employment in certain manufacturing and working establishments be regulated further (Mr. Kelley of Worcester, of the House, dissenting);

Manufacturing
and working
establish-
ments, — em-
ployment,

Boston, —
installation of
water-meters.

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1081) of Alexander Whiteside relative to the installation of water-meters in the city of Boston;

Boston, —
removal of
garbage and
refuse matter.

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 797) of James W. Hayes relative to the removal and disposal of garbage and other refuse matter in the city of Boston;

Veneral
diseases.

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 269) of Joseph P. Walsh relative to venereal diseases;

Id.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1103) of Henry F. Hurlburt for the further regulation of infectious venereal diseases; and

Carbonated
and non-alco-
holic beverages
and soft drinks.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1322) of Hugh J. McMackin and another that the manufacture of carbonated beverages, non-alcoholic beverages and soft drinks be regulated (Mr. Jackson, of the Senate, dissenting);

Legal
settlements.

Of the committee on Public Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1104) of Karl Adams relative to legal settlements;

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw:

Police officers,
— civil service
status.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 517) of James M. Keaney relative to appointments and promotions of police officers in the classified civil service (Mr. Wood, of the House, dissenting); and

Boston, —
status of
former lamp-
lighters.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 816) of James T. Thompson that the time be extended within which former lamplighters may be appointed to positions in the labor service of the city of Boston;

State Forester,
— employment
of discharged
soldiers.

Of the committee on Reconstruction, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 991) of Carlton W. Wonson relative to the employment of discharged soldiers of the United States by the State Forester; and

Domestic
business
corporations,
— franchise tax.

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 300) of Cornelius Boothman relative to the distribution of the corporate franchise taxes of domestic business corporations;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Emergency Preamble Adopted.

Corporations,
— dissolution.

An engrossed Bill to dissolve certain corporations (see House, No. 1490, amended), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.

Messrs. Cronin, John
 Curran, George E.
 Dahlborg, Edward N.
 Eames, Edward B.
 Finkel, Samuel B.
 Foley, William J.
 Gifford, Charles L.
 Halliwell, John
 Hardy, Leonard F.
 Hardy, Walter A.
 Hastings, George A.
 Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
 Jackson, George H.

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
 Loring, Augustus P.
 McIntosh, David S.
 McLane, Walter E.
 Nichols, Malcolm E.
 Perrin, Harold L.
 Prescott, Francis
 Reed, Silas D.
 Sullivan, Peter F.
 Tarbell, Warren E.
 Walsh, John J.
 Weston, Thomas, Jr.
 Winchester, Charles A. — 32.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
 Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
 Curtin, John A.
 Knox, Joseph O.

Messrs. Mahoney, John J.
 Nason, Arthur L.
 Smith, Charles S. — 7.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.
 Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the House) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

Relative to the use of armories for certain entertainments;

Relative to the preservation of examination papers by the State Examiners of Electricians;

To authorize the town of North Attleborough to supply the town of Plainville with water;

Authorizing the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game to regulate the taking of smelt in great ponds; and

To dissolve certain corporations.

An engrossed Resolve further to extend the time for the improvement of a certain part of the Taunton River (which originated in the Senate), — was passed and, with the above-named bills, was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Bill to provide for suitably aiding motherless dependent children (Senate, No. 212), — was ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill relative to the hours of employment of women and children (Senate, No. 16), — was read a second time.

Mr. Colburn moved that the bill be amended by inserting after the word "nine", in line 21, the words "and one-half".

The same Senator moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until the following Tuesday; and this motion was negatived, by a vote of 9 to 18.

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

Resolve
passed, etc.

Motherless
dependent
children.

Women and
children, —
hours of
employment.

The amendment moved by Mr. Colburn was rejected, by a vote of 3 to 21.

The bill was ordered to a third reading.

Hunting and
fishing licenses.

The Senate Bill relative to hunting and fishing licenses (Senate, No. 410), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Gifford, it was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills.

The bills

To establish the compensation and mileage of jurors (Senate, No. 317);

To authorize the purchase of historical works relative to the service of Massachusetts volunteers in the European War (printed as House, No. 73);

Relative to allowances for travel duty to members of the militia (House, No. 321);

To make the Worcester department of the Grafton State Hospital a part of the Worcester State Hospital (House, No. 397);

To authorize the city of Cambridge to retire and pension certain employees of the board of health (House, No. 1001, amended);

To authorize the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game to lease certain ponds in the town of Wareham for the artificial propagation of alewives (House, No. 1424, amended);

To prohibit the killing of partridge or ruffed grouse until the open season in nineteen hundred and twenty (House, No. 1486); and

Relative to the compensation of members of the board of aldermen of the city of Fall River (House, No. 1492); and

Resolve.

The Resolve authorizing the commissioners of the Massachusetts Nautical School to reimburse officers and cadets of the training ship "Nantucket" for certain losses sustained by them (House, No. 1454);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Americans
lost in war, —
reparation
from Germany.

The Senate Resolutions in favor of compelling Germany and her allies to make financial reparation for the lives of Americans lost in the war (Senate, No. 356), — were adopted.

The resolutions were as follows:

"Whereas, Justice and equity require that the central powers, defeated in their criminal attempt to subjugate the world, should be required to make reparation not only for the property wantonly destroyed by their armed forces but also for the lives of citizens of the United States and of the allied nations for whose death they are responsible; accordingly be it

"Resolved, That, in the opinion of the General Court of Massachusetts, the President of the United States and his associates at the peace conference should exert the full measure of their influence to the end that Germany and the powers associated in the war with her be compelled to make reparation for the killing, wounding and injuring of all Americans by the forces of the central powers, beginning with the piratical sinking of the Lusitania, and that adequate articles and guaranties to this

effect be incorporated in the final treaty of peace; and further be it

Resolved, That copies of these resolutions be sent by the Secretary of the Commonwealth to the President of the United States."

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Resolutions favoring an early declaration of peace by the Allies with the German government, said declaration of peace to be followed by a proposal for a League of Nations (Senate, No. 407), — were considered; and, pending the question on adopting the resolutions, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Gifford. Early declaration of peace.

The House Bill to regulate the time of taking effect of acts and resolves passed by the General Court (House, No. 615), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft entitled: "An Act to regulate the taking effect of acts of the General Court" (Senate, No. 412). Acts of the General Court.

This amendment was adopted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 412), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The House Bill relative to the authority of the trustees of the public library of the city of Boston to take and hold real and personal property (House, No. 708, changed), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. House bill.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 787) of John H. Cogswell and another that the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands be authorized to dredge flats in Lynn Harbor and to develop the uplands adjacent thereto; Senate reports.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 183) of Joseph P. Walsh for the abatement as nuisances of places where prostitution and like offences are practiced;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 281) of Joseph P. Walsh that provision be made for repressing prostitution; and

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 34) of Charles A. Kelley relative to the compensation of employees of State institutions;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. Registers of probate, — compensation of clerks.

117) of William G. Bassett and others for a temporary increase in the compensation of clerks in the office of the several registers of probate, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden.

The House reports

House reports.

Of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches with reference to the House Bill to establish a close season for the hunting or killing of raccoons (House, No. 591), recommending that the House recede from its non-concurrence in the Senate amendment (in section 1, inserting after the word "kill", in line 2, the words "or have in possession"), and concur therein with an amendment adding after the word "possession" the words "except as provided in chapter five hundred and sixty-seven of the acts of nineteen hundred and twelve,"; and that the Senate concur in the amendment of the amendment;

Of the committee on Administration and Commissions, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 186) of Leo S. Hamburger for the establishment of a Massachusetts Food Commission;

Of the committee on Administration and Commissions, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1182) of L. S. Hamburger that the wholesale and retail prices of staple articles of food be regulated;

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 732) of Clarence W. Rowley that the hours of duty of police officers in the city of Boston be established and that overtime compensation be allowed;

Of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 182) of Louis Swig for a revision of the so-called standard form of fire insurance policy;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 60) of Thomas A. Niland relative to the recovery of money paid by the Boston Elevated Railway Company in opposing the entrance into Boston of the lines of the Boston and Worcester Street Railway Company;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 647) of the city solicitor of Medford that said city be reimbursed for money expended for a company of the State Guard;

Of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 987) of William H. McDonnell and another for the electrification of the railroads operated in or about the city of Boston;

Of the committee on Reconstruction, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 691) of Joseph B. Aigen for the reinstatement as employees of cities and towns of employees who entered the military or naval service during the European war; and

Of the committee on Reconstruction, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1246) of William H. McDonnell that persons discharged from the military or naval service of the United States be reinstated in the service of municipalities;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Winchester, at thirteen minutes past four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

FRIDAY, March 28, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.**State budget.*

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill making appropriations for the maintenance of departments, boards, commissions, institutions and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements (House, No. 1413), — ought to pass with the following amendments: —

Striking out, in Item 17, the words "six thousand five hundred", and inserting in place thereof the words "ten thousand";

Striking out, in Item 29, the words "twelve thousand seven hundred", and inserting in place thereof the words "fifteen thousand five hundred";

Striking out, in Item 41, the words "thirty thousand", and inserting in place thereof the words "thirty-three thousand";

Striking out, in Item 72, the words "fifteen thousand", and inserting in place thereof the words "twelve thousand";

Inserting, in Item 182, after the word "equipment", the words "and rent of certain offices";

Striking out Item 249;

Striking out, in Item 257, the words "eighty-four thousand", and inserting in place thereof the words "eighty-eight thousand";

Striking out, in Item 258, the words "fifty-nine thousand five hundred", and inserting in place thereof the words "sixty-two thousand";

Striking out, in Item 284, the words "inspection department", and inserting in place thereof the words "commission and employees";

Striking out, in Item 302, the words "twenty-six", and inserting in place thereof the word "sixteen";

Inserting a new item 302a, as follows: — "For the purchase of an automobile and the necessary expenses of maintenance and operation for any use directed by the Governor or the Adjutant General, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars.";

Inserting after Item 329 the following "Expenditures authorized under Items 317 to 322, inclusive, and 324 to 329, inclusive, are to be paid from the receipts from income of property of the port of Boston";

Striking out Item 352 and inserting in place thereof the following: "Item 352. For the care and operation of certain farm machinery purchased during the year nineteen hundred and eighteen, a sum not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars.";

Striking out, in Item 370a, the words "a rearing station", and inserting in place thereof the words "rearing stations";

Striking out, in Item 376, the words "eighty-two thousand five hundred", and inserting in place thereof the words "eighty-three thousand three hundred";

Striking out, in Item 418, the words "twenty thousand", and inserting in place thereof the words "twenty thousand two hundred and fifty";

Striking out, in Item 420, the words "and expenses", and also the words "thirty-six hundred and thirty", and inserting in place thereof the words "forty-six hundred and fifty";

Striking out, in Item 425, the words "twelve thousand", and inserting in place thereof the words "thirteen thousand five hundred";

Striking out, in Item 428, the words "nineteen thousand two hundred", and inserting in place thereof the words "twenty thousand four hundred";

Striking out, in Item 429, the words "sixteen thousand" and inserting in place thereof the words "sixteen thousand eight hundred";

Striking out, in Item 482, the words "with the approval of the trustees.";

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading, with the amendments pending.

By Mr. Perrin, for the committee on Public Service, on the petition of Frederick G. Katzmann, a Bill to authorize the district attorney for the southeastern district to appoint a deputy district attorney (Senate, No. 192, — changed by the committee by striking out section 4); and

Southeastern district, — deputy district attorney.

By Mr. Loring, for the same committee, on so much of the recommendations of the Treasurer and Receiver-General (House, No. 423) as relates thereto, a Bill relative to the department of the Treasurer and Receiver-General (printed as House, No. 425);

Treasurer and Receiver-General, — employees.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Petition.

Mr. Beck presented a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 413) of John E. Beck that a sum of money be paid to the widow of James Gibbons, formerly lieutenant of the Revere fire department; and the petition was referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by the same Senator, to the joint committee on Ways and Means.

Widow of James Gibbons, formerly lieutenant in Revere fire department.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill to extend the provisions of law relative to the retirement of county employees to the employees of the Worcester County Law Library Association (House, No. 829, on the petition of G. E. Wire), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Worcester County Law Library Association, — retirement.

Bills

Insurance
companies, —
collectors.

Relative to collectors of insurance companies (House, No. 383, — on the recommendations of the Insurance Commissioner, House, No. 362, in part);

Soldiers' relief.

To amend the laws relating to soldiers' relief (House, No. 650, on the petition of Daniel D. Brouthers);

Income from
estates of
deceased
persons, —
taxation.

Relative to the taxation of the estates of deceased persons in respect to income (House, No. 713, changed, — on the petition of B. L. Young);

Wakefield, —
money for
school
buildings.

To authorize the town of Wakefield to borrow money for new school buildings (House, No. 1479, changed, — on the petition of the selectmen of said town);

Marshfield, —
ratification
of acts.

To ratify certain acts of the town of Marshfield (House, No. 1506, — on the petition of William L. Sprague, selectman);

Insurance
agent or
broker, —
definition.

Relative to the definition of insurance agent or broker (House, No. 1507, — on the recommendations of the Insurance Commissioner, House, No. 362, in part);

Unlicensed
insurance
agents or
brokers, —
compensation.

To forbid payment of compensation to unlicensed insurance agents or brokers (House, No. 1508, — on the recommendations of the Insurance Commissioner, House, No. 362, in part);

Military aid
and soldiers'
relief, —
notices.

Relative to the notices to be given in certain cases of military aid and soldiers' relief (House, No. 1512, — on the petition of Cornelius F. Haley, accompanied by bill, House, No. 960); and

Dances, —
regulation.

For the further regulation of public and private dances (House, No. 1515, — on the petition of Frederick C. Nichols, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1002);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Suffolk
County, —
trustees of
county aid to
agriculture.

The Senate Bill to provide for the appointment in the county of Suffolk of trustees for county aid to agriculture (Senate, No. 297, amended), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment in section 1, striking out, in line 3, the word "shall", and inserting in place thereof the word "may".

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Smith, and the amendment was considered forthwith and was adopted, in concurrence.

Boston, —
employees of
election
department.

A Bill to place the employees of the election department of the city of Boston under civil service rules (House, No. 216, — on the petition of Thomas A. Niland, accompanied by bill, House, No. 88; and on the petition of Martin Hays, accompanied by bill, House, No. 216), — came up, recommitted to the committee on Public Service, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule; and the Senate concurred in the suspension of the said rule.

Reports

Sale of milk.

Of the committees on Agriculture and Public Health, sitting jointly, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 450) of James W. Hayes relative to the sale of milk and the age at which it is sold;

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 248) of Richard Ward and others for the appointment of a finance commission for the city of Lawrence; and Lawrence, — finance commission.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 568) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor, relative to the approval of the board of street commissioners of the city of Boston of the development of vacant land in said city; Boston, — development of vacant land.

Of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 145) of James D. Henderson for the incorporation and organization of life insurance companies under general laws (Messrs. McLane and Brown, of the Senate, dissenting); Life insurance companies, — organization under general laws.

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 274) of The Dorchester Board of Trade for an extension of the time within which certain water-meters shall be installed by the city of Boston; Boston, — installation of water-meters.

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 799) of A. C. Webber that the operation of the law relative to the sale and distribution of narcotic drugs be made to include paregoric and similar preparations; Paregoric and similar preparations, — sale.

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 288) of Eugene Stevens that the salaries of turnkeys and watchmen at the State Prison and Massachusetts Reformatory be established; Prison turnkeys and watchmen, — salaries.

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 985) of David I. Robinson for additional clerical assistance for the treasurer of the county of Essex; and Essex County treasurer, — clerical assistance.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1241) of A. M. Bridgman that the editor of the daily list of legislative hearings be placed under the civil service law and rules; Editor of legislative list of committee hearings, — civil service.

Of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 988) of Frank B. Phinney for an investigation by the Public Service Commission of the question of electrifying railroads running to or from the South Terminal Station in the city of Boston; Public Service Commission, — electrification of railroads in and near Boston.

Of the committee on Social Welfare, reference to the next General Court:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 130) of Peter F. Sullivan that preference based on war service be established in the assignment of homesteads and land by the Homestead Commission; Soldiers and sailors, — homesteads.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 534) of John J. Murphy that the Homestead Commission be authorized to construct homesteads in the city of Holyoke; Holyoke, — homesteads.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 821) of James A. Watson that the city of Boston be authorized to provide housing facilities for its inhabitants; and Boston, — housing facilities.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 823) of Robert T. Fowler that provision be made for homesteads for citizens of the Commonwealth; and Homesteads, — State loans.

Natick, —
Annie M.
Sproule.

Of the committee on Towns, reference to the next General Court (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 138) of Annie M. Sproule that the town of Natick be authorized to pay to her a sum of money;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

State and
county taxes, —
triennial ap-
portionment.

The triennial report of the Tax Commissioner upon the equalization and apportionment of State and county taxes (House, No. 1517), — was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on Ways and Means.

Engrossed Bills Amended.

European
corn-borer and
other pests
and diseases.

An engrossed Bill relative to the suppression of the European corn-borer and other insect pests and plant diseases (see Senate, No. 327, amended), — came up, amended in section 1 (as previously amended), by striking out the words "importation to or exportation", and inserting in place thereof the words "transportation to or".

Senate Rules Nos. 36 and 49 were suspended, on motion of Mr. Colburn, and the amendment was considered forthwith and was adopted, in concurrence.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

Authorizing savings banks to hold for safe-keeping securities issued by the United States;

To authorize cities and towns to raise and appropriate money for memorials to soldiers, sailors and marines;

To increase the allowance for clerical assistance to the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Middlesex;

To revive the corporation known as the Manchester Amusement Company;

To provide for giving persons in war service further time to file income tax returns; and

Making an appropriation for aiding returned soldiers, sailors and marines in finding employment.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Acts of the
General Court.

The Senate Bill to regulate the taking effect of acts of the General Court (Senate, No. 412), — was passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Early declara-
tion of peace.

The Senate Resolutions favoring an early consummation of peace between the allies and Germany and the subsequent establishment of a League of Nations (Senate, No. 407) (their title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third

Reading), — were considered, the question being on adopting them.

Mr. Gifford moved that the resolutions be amended by striking out, in line 16, the word "wholly".

Mr. Cavanagh moved that the resolutions be amended by striking out, in line 16, the word "proposed", and inserting in place thereof the word "reported"; and by striking out, in line 17, the words "the United States", and inserting in place thereof the word "Massachusetts".

Mr. Kearney moved that the resolutions be amended by striking out, in lines 14, 15, 16 and 17, the words "and *Whereas*, The constitution of the league of nations as proposed in said peace conference is not wholly acceptable to the citizens of the United States,".

Mr. Foley moved that the further consideration of the resolutions be postponed until the next session; and this motion was negatived.

The amendment moved by Mr. Gifford was rejected, by a vote of 9 to 15.

The amendments moved by Mr. Cavanagh were adopted.

The amendment moved by Mr. Kearney was rejected.

The resolutions, as amended (Senate, No. 423), were then adopted, as follows: —

"*Whereas*, On the eleventh day of November, nineteen hundred and eighteen, an armistice was signed by the representatives of the allied powers and of Germany; and

"*Whereas*, In consequence of the victory of the United States and the nations with which it was associated, a peace conference convened and is now holding sessions in Paris for the purpose of settling the terms of peace; and

"*Whereas*, A conference committee thereof has proposed a constitution for a League of Nations; now, therefore, be it

"*Resolved*, That in the opinion of the General Court of Massachusetts the nations of the world should do everything in their power to bring about a general disarmament and prompt peace; and

"*Whereas*, The constitution of the League of Nations as reported in said peace conference is not wholly acceptable to the citizens of Massachusetts; therefore, be it further

"*Resolved*, That it is also the opinion of the General Court of Massachusetts that the negotiations on the part of the United States should be immediately directed to the business of formulating peace terms with Germany satisfactory to the nations at war with her and that any proposal for a League of Nations or any agreement intended to insure the permanent peace of the entire world should then be considered by the Peace Conference without further delay;

"*Resolved*, That certified copies of these resolutions be sent by the Secretary of the Commonwealth to the President of the United States, to the Vice President as presiding officer of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the National House of Representatives and to each of the Senators and Representatives from Massachusetts in the Congress of the United States."

Sent down for concurrence.

Haverhill, —
Company F;
Machine Gun
company.

The Senate Bill to authorize the city of Haverhill to pay a certain sum of money to the members of Company "F", the Machine Gun company, detached members of the Massachusetts State Guard, and enlisted men (printed as House, No. 76), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Halliwell, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read as follows: "An Act to authorize the city of Haverhill to pay a sum of money to certain members of the State Guard for services rendered."

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Deputy Com-
missioner of
Health.

The Bill providing for the appointment of a Deputy Commissioner of Health (printed as House, No. 1147), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. McLane, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday.

Retired
teachers, —
holding of
office.

The Bill to legalize the holding of public elective office by teachers retired with a pension (House, No. 1128), — was read a second time; and it was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 16 to 0.

Bills.

The bills

To incorporate the Stockbridge Library Association (House, No. 136, changed);

To incorporate Swan Lake Cemetery Association in the town of Dennis (House, No. 1224, changed);

To authorize the city of Boston to pay an annuity to the widow of Charles E. Deininger (House, No. 1421);

To enable the Commonwealth to secure Federal aid in the construction of highways (House, No. 1478);

To provide for the widening of L Street in the South Boston district of the city of Boston (House, No. 1487, amended);

To dispense with the production of witnesses in order to establish the right to assessment for a poll-tax or to registration as a voter (House, No. 1493, amended); and

Relative to the reserves of trust companies (House, No. 1495);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Senate bills.

The Senate bills

To provide for suitably aiding motherless dependent children (Senate, No. 212); and

To establish the compensation and mileage of jurors (Senate, No. 317);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

European
War, —
purchase of his-
torical works.

The Senate Bill to authorize the purchase of historical works relative to the service of Massachusetts volunteers in the European War (printed as House, No. 73), — was read a third time.

Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out section 3.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House bills

Relative to allowances for travel duty to members of the House bills. militia (House, No. 321);

To make the Worcester department of the Grafton State Hospital a part of the Worcester State Hospital (House, No. 397);

To authorize the city of Cambridge to retire and pension certain employees of the board of health (House, No. 1001, amended); and

Relative to the compensation of members of the board of aldermen of the city of Fall River (House, No. 1492); and

The House Resolve authorizing the commissioners of the House resolve. Massachusetts Nautical School to reimburse officers and cadets of the training ship "Nantucket" for certain losses sustained by them (House, No. 1454);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate reports

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on Senate reports. the recommitted petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 151) of Arthur B. Hultman that the county of Norfolk be authorized to pay the counsel fees of the defendant in the case of D'Addario, Administrator, versus Hultman;

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 776) of A. C. Webber for an amendment of the law relative to the fees for entering actions and filing petitions in the courts of the Commonwealth;

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 944) of John C. Gordon relative to the protection of foxes and other fur-bearing animals kept in captivity;

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 946) of Philip Emerson that provision be made for the ringing of bells on municipal and State election days; and

Of the committee on Public Lighting, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1106) of Lewis R. Sullivan relative to the price of gas in the city of Boston and to the authority of the Boston Consolidated Gas Company to furnish gas and declare dividends on the sliding scale system;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House Report of the committee on Public Service, leave Police officers, — civil service status. to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No.

517) of James M. Keaney relative to appointments and promotions of police officers in the classified civil service, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Wednesday, on motion of Mr. Counihan.

The House reports

House reports.

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 733) of Clarence W. Rowley that the minimum compensation of certain police officers in the city of Boston be established;

Of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 315) of Arthur A. Hall relative to the holding of caucuses or primaries in certain towns;

Of the committee on Labor, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 771) of Edwin Mulready and another that employment in certain manufacturing and working establishments be regulated further;

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1081) of Alexander Whiteside relative to the installation of water-meters in the city of Boston;

Of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 269) of Joseph P. Walsh relative to venereal diseases;

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 797) of James W. Hayes relative to the removal and disposal of garbage and other refuse matter in the city of Boston;

Of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1103) of Henry F. Hurlburt for the further regulation of infectious venereal diseases;

Of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1322) of Hugh J. McMackin and another that the manufacture of carbonated beverages, non-alcoholic beverages and soft drinks be regulated;

Of the committee on Public Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1104) of Karl Adams relative to legal settlements;

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 816) of James T. Thompson that the time be extended within which former lamplighters may be appointed to positions in the labor service of the city of Boston;

Of the committee on Reconstruction, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 991) of Carlton W. Wonson relative to the employment of discharged soldiers of the United States by the State Forester; and

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 300) of Cornelius Boothman relative to the distribution of the corporate franchise taxes of domestic business corporations;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Colburn, at twenty-two minutes before one o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, March 31, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Bill Returned by the Governor with His Objections.

Veto message
from Governor,
— East Boston
ferry service.

The engrossed Bill authorizing the city of Boston to raise money for the improvement of the East Boston ferry service (which originated in the Senate) (see Senate, No. 155, changed), — which, on March 26, had been laid before the Governor for his approbation, was returned by His Excellency, together with his objections thereto in writing.

The message was as follows: —

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, March 31, 1919.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

In accordance with the duties conferred by the Constitution of the Commonwealth, "An Act authorizing the city of Boston to raise money for the improvement of East Boston ferry service," which is Senate No. 155, is herewith returned without approval.

This is a time for the application of economy in the ordinary and established public expenditures. The taxpayer is already overburdened. This does not mean that the functions of government should stop, but it does mean that they should proceed in the regular and orderly way and that those who are responsible for expenditures should make them without outside interference.

The very laudable desire which prompted this bill is perfectly apparent. It is, however, a matter entirely within the province of the authorities of the city of Boston. It does not appear that the city has requested or supported this measure, and there is no more reason why direction should be given to the city of Boston regarding the equipment and operation of its ferry service than there is of its highways, schools, lights or other public works. This measure does not come within the permanent policy that directs the raising of a certain sum each year for the support of certain municipal departments.

There are no doubt other objects as much in need of additional outlay as the ferry service. Such objects should be considered as a whole, if at all, on the application and with the support of the city of Boston for an increase of the tax limit. This is clearly a service which the city is bound to provide and differs in no way from other required expenditures which should be made within the tax limit. While this may be a reason for

raising the tax limit, it is certainly no reason for making expenditure outside of it. While in terms this is an enabling act, the form is the same as all authorizations for increasing tax limits and is in effect compulsory.

CALVIN COOLIDGE.

The message (see Senate, No. 420) was read and the Senate proceeded to reconsider the bill, in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution; and, pending the question on passing the bill, the objections of His Excellency the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Halliwell.

Reports of a Committee.

By Mr. Beck, for the committee on Public Lighting, on the recommendations of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners (House, No. 350) (in part) (see House, No. 355), a Bill relative to extensions of the charters of gas and electric companies (Senate, No. 414); and

Gas and electric companies, — extension of charters.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the recommendations of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners (House, No. 350) (in part) (see House, Nos. 353 and 357), a Bill relative to provision for depreciation by gas, electric and water companies (Senate, No. 415);

Gas, electric and water companies, — depreciation.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the recommended Senate Bill to provide that increases in the price of gas and electricity shall not be made unless approved by the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners (printed as House, No. 282), ought to pass in a new draft entitled: "An Act to regulate increases in the price of gas and electricity" (Senate, No. 416);

Gas and electricity, — increases in price.

By Mr. Nason, for the same committee, on the petitions of Charles E. Manley for the Taunton Central Labor Union (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 113); and of the Taunton Chamber of Commerce and another (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 115), a Bill to establish a municipal lighting commission for the city of Taunton (Senate, No. 418); and

Taunton, — municipal lighting commission.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the recommendations of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners (House, No. 350) (in part) (see House, No. 352), a Bill relative to the disposition of bonds of gas, electric and water companies (Senate, No. 419);

Gas, electric and water companies, — disposition of bonds.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Beck, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 86) of John J. Mahoney for legislation to establish the price of gas that may be charged by the Charlestown Gas Company; and

Charlestown Gas Company, — price of gas.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on the recommendations of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners (House, No. 350);

Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, — recommendations.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Taken from the Table.

Lynn, Pea-
body, Salem,
Beverly and
Danvers, —
water from the
Ipswich River.

On motion of Mr. Brown, the House Bill relative to the taking of water from the Ipswich River by the cities of Lynn, Peabody, Salem and Beverly and the town of Danvers (House, No. 1474), — was taken from the table; and it was ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of the same Senator, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of Mr. Brown.

Petitions.

Soldiers and
sailors, —
extension of
time for enjoy-
ing certain
privileges and
immunities.

Mr. Finkel presented a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 417) of Samuel B. Finkel that the time be extended during which certain privileges and immunities conferred upon persons in the military or naval service of the United States may be enjoyed; and the petition was referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. McLane, to the committee on Reconstruction.

Sent down for concurrence.

Annual State
elections.

Mr. Finkel presented a petition of Alfred A. Blair and others for restoration of annual State elections; and the petition was placed on file.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Appropriation,
— European
corn-borer.

A Bill making an appropriation for suppressing the European corn-borer, so called (House, No. 1513), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills

Civil service
examinations,
— notices.

To require the Civil Service Commission to notify persons taking a civil service examination of the result of their examination (House, No. 1109, on the petition of John R. Hudson);

Athol, — land
for school
purposes.

To authorize the town of Athol to acquire land for school purposes (House, No. 1437, on the petition of Fred W. Lord and others);

Quincy, —
city hospital.

Authorizing the city of Quincy to establish a hospital (House, No. 1438, changed, — on the petition of Joseph L. Whiton, mayor);

Emerson
College of
Oratory, —
degrees.

To authorize the Emerson College of Oratory to grant the degree of bachelor of literary interpretation (House, No. 1519, — on the recommendations of the Board of Education, House, No. 224, in part; on the special report of the Board of Education relative thereto, House, No. 236, in part; and on the petition of Henry Lawrence Southwick and others, accompanied by bill, House, No. 225; the petition of Harry Seymour Ross and others, accompanied by bill, House, No. 308; and on the supplementary report of the Board of Education, House, No. 1416); and

Gordon Bible
College, —
degrees.

To authorize the Board of Trustees of Gordon Bible College to grant certain degrees (House, No. 1520, — on the special re-

port of the Board of Education relative thereto, House, No. 236, in part; and on the petition of Jason Noble Pierce and others, accompanied by bill, House, No. 309; and on the supplementary report of the Board of Education, House, No. 1417);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Reports

Of the committees on Agriculture and Public Health, sitting jointly, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 449) of James W. Hayes relative to the sale of graded milk (Mr. Carey, of the House, of the committee on Agriculture, dissenting); and

Graded milk,
— sale.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1025) of Cornelius A. Parker for legislation to provide for the standardization of milk and cream;

Milk and
cream, —
standardiza-
tion.

Of the committee on Federal Relations, reference to the next General Court:

On the petition (accompanied by resolutions, House, No. 921) of Charles S. Rackemann relative to the revocation of the resolution ratifying the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to intoxicating liquors; and

National pro-
hibition, —
revocation of
ratification.

On the petition (accompanied by resolution, House, No. 1040) of John F. Gillespie for a withdrawal of the action of the General Court of 1918 in ratifying the proposed amendment of the Federal Constitution prohibiting the manufacture, transportation and sale of intoxicating liquors;

Id.

Of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioners), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 471) of Warren A. Reed and others that the trustees of the General Insurance Guaranty Fund be authorized to set aside a portion of the net profits for the purpose of stabilizing dividends;

General Insurance
Guaranty
Fund, —
stabilizing
dividends.

Of the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Insurance Commissioner and the Bank Commissioner relative to savings and insurance banks and the General Insurance Guaranty Fund (House, No. 1391);

Savings and
insurance
banks; General
Insurance
Guaranty
Fund.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 188) of William A. Morse relative to partition of real estate; and

Real estate, —
partition.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 939) of Carlton W. Wonson relative to the burden of proof in hearings in equitable process after judgment;

Equitable
process after
judgment, —
burden of
proof.

Of the committee on Military Affairs, no legislation necessary, on the special report of The Adjutant General relative to expenditures by cities, towns, private corporations, associations and individuals in connection with the State Guard during the year 1917 (House, No. 1309);

State Guard, —
expenditures
by cities, towns
and others.

Of the committee on Public Service, no legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the Commission on Mental Diseases (House, No. 392) as relates to the employment of persons in State institutions (accompanied by bill, House, No. 396);

State
institutions, —
employees.

Supervisor of
Loan Agencies,
— salary of
accountant.

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 807) of Bernard I. McManus that the salary of the accountant in the department of the Supervisor of Loan Agencies be established; and

Women and
minors, —
hours of labor.

Of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 71) of Arthur C. Comins relative to the hours of labor of women and minors;

Training
schools, —
parole of boys.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 999) of John I. Fitzgerald relative to the parole of boys committed to the Lyman School for Boys, the Industrial School for Boys and the Suffolk School for Boys; and

County of
Suffolk, —
probation
officer.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1130) of John I. Fitzgerald for the appointment of a probation officer for the county of Suffolk;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Emergency Preambles Adopted.

Auditor of the
Common-
wealth, —
additional
deputy.

An engrossed Bill relative to the appointment of an additional deputy in the department of the Auditor of the Commonwealth (see Senate, No. 390), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Chamberlain, George D.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 35.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Churchill, George B.

Messrs. Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L. — 4.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Twenty-sixth
Division, —
expenses of
parade, etc.

An engrossed Bill making an appropriation for the expenses of a parade in Boston of the Twenty-Sixth Division, United States

Army, and for other like expenses (see House, No. 1491, amended), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 36.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Churchill, George B.
Nichols, Malcolm E.

Mr. Harold L. Perrin. — 3.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

To permit the use of armories by military organizations in the public schools;

To prevent fraud in the packing of merchandise;

To establish the public welfare commission in the city of Waltham;

Relative to the use of traps, nets and snares for the taking of birds and animals; and

Relative to the contents of the employers' pledge accompanying employment certificates.

*Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.*

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Bill to provide for improvements in the north end of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 373), — was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

*Boston, — im-
provements in
north end.*

The Senate adopted the pending amendment, previously moved by Mr. Walsh, — striking out section 6 and inserting in place thereof the following: "SECTION 6. For the foregoing purposes, the city may incur indebtedness within or without the statutory limit, as the city council may determine, to an amount not exceeding five million dollars, and the city treasurer shall, from time to time as authorized by the mayor and city council, issue therefor serial bonds of the city. Such bonds shall be denominated on their face, North End Improvement Bonds of the city of Boston, Act of 1919, shall be countersigned by the mayor, shall bear interest in accordance with the provisions of chapter fifty-two of the Special Acts of 1918, and shall be payable by such annual payments, beginning not more than one year after their respective dates, as will extinguish each loan within twenty years of its date, provided that no indebtedness shall be incurred under this act after the thirty-first day of January, nineteen hundred and twenty-two. Each issue thereof shall constitute a separate loan."

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Coke, charcoal
and kindling-
wood, — sale.

The House Bill relative to the sale of coke, charcoal and kindling-wood (House, No. 486, changed), — was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments previously adopted by the Senate.

The pending amendment, previously moved by Mr. Smith, — inserting after section 4 (section 3, as printed), the following new section: "SECTION 5. Nothing in this act shall be construed to prohibit sales of kindling-wood in bulk", — was considered.

The same Senator moved that the amendment be amended by adding at the end of the new section to be inserted the words "by the load."

Mr. Kearney moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until the next session; and this motion was negatived.

The amendment of the amendment, moved by Mr. Smith, was adopted; and the amendment, as thus amended, was adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the several amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

Railroad cor-
porations, —
acquisition of
stocks and
securities of
other cor-
porations.

The Senate Bill relative to the acquisition by railroad corporations of stocks and securities of other corporations, companies and associations, and to purchases, leases and mergers of such corporations (printed as House, No. 1138), — was considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading.

The Senate rejected the pending amendments in section 6, previously moved by Mr. Beck, — striking out the word "knowingly", inserted by the committee on Railroads after the word "shall", in lines 2 and 3, respectively.

The Senate then refused to order the bill to a third reading.

Old age
pensions.

The House Report of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 294) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Fed-

eration of Labor for the establishment of a system of non-contributory old age pensions, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of Mr. Kearney.

The House Report of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 295) of Patrick J. Guerin for the establishment of a State system of old age annuities, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of Mr. Kearney. Old age pensions.

The House Report of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 994) of Wendell Phillips Thoré for the establishment of a system of non-contributory old age pensions, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of Mr. Kearney.

The House Report of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 995) of Wendell Phillips Thoré and another for the establishment of a system of old age pensions and other protection against want, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of Mr. Kearney.

The House Report of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 996) of Wendell Phillips Thoré and another for the establishment of a system of non-contributory pensions to protect citizens from want in old age or during disability or unemployment, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of Mr. Kearney.

The bills

Relative to collectors of insurance companies (House, No. 383); Bills.

To amend the laws relating to soldiers' relief (House, No. 650);

Relative to the taxation of the estates of deceased persons in respect to income (House, No. 713, changed);

To authorize the town of Wakefield to borrow money for new school buildings (House, No. 1479, changed);

To ratify certain acts of the town of Marshfield (House, No. 1506);

Relative to the definition of insurance agent or broker (House, No. 1507);

To forbid payment of compensation to unlicensed insurance agents or brokers (House, No. 1508);

Relative to the notices to be given in certain cases of military aid and soldiers' relief (House, No. 1512); and

Bill.

For the further regulation of public and private dances (House, No. 1515);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

State budget.

The House Bill making appropriations for the maintenance of departments, boards, commissions, institutions and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements (House, No. 1413), — was read a second time; and, pending the amendments recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Beck.

Acts and
resolves, —
publication.

The Senate Bill to reestablish the publication of the acts and resolves in a single volume (Senate, No. 282), — was read a third time, as previously amended.

Mr. Reed moved that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft entitled "An Act relative to the annual publication of the laws" (Senate, No. 421).

Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, as previously amended, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of the same Senator.

Women and
children, —
hours of
employment.

The Senate Bill relative to the hours of employment of women and children (Senate, No. 16), — was read a third time.

Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden moved that the bill be amended by inserting after the word "mercantile", in line 18, the word "or"; and by striking out, in lines 19 and 20, the words "telegraph office or telephone exchange"; and these amendments were rejected, by a vote of 9 to 19.

The question on passing the bill to be engrossed was then determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 33.

NAYS.

Mr. Clarence W. Hobbs, Jr.,

Mr. Charles S. Smith. — 2.

YEAS.	PAIRED.	NAYS.
Mr. George B. Churchill,	Mr. Francis Prescott (present).	
Mr. Harold L. Perrin,	Mr. Arthur W. Colburn (present). — 4.	

So the bill was passed to be engrossed.
Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill to provide for the division into day and night forces of permanent members of fire departments (Senate, No. 403), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended as follows: —

Fire departments, — day and night forces.

In section 4, by striking out all after the word "nine", in line 8, and inserting in place thereof the following: "authorizing cities and towns to establish the hours of labor of firemen, chapter five hundred and forty-six of the Acts of nineteen hundred and twelve, and chapter ninety-seven of the General Acts of nineteen hundred and fifteen, both of which provide for granting firemen one day off in five, shall not hereafter apply to the permanent members of the uniformed fire fighting force in any city or town accepting the provisions of this act"; and

In section 6, by striking out, in lines 10, 11 and 12, the words "the two platoon system, in the fire departments of the cities and towns of the Commonwealth", and inserting in place thereof the words "the division into day and night forces of permanent members of fire departments, known as the two platoon system."

These amendments were adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.
Sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill relative to the listing of voters in the town of Watertown (House, No. 715, amended), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended as follows:

Watertown, — listing of voters.

By striking out section 5.

By inserting after section 6 (as printed) (which becomes section 5) the following new section: "SECTION 6. Said chapter eight hundred and thirty-five, as amended by section eleven of chapter two hundred and fifty-seven of the General Acts of nineteen hundred and eighteen, is hereby further amended by striking out section forty-one and substituting the following: — 'Section 41. The registrars shall not, after ten o'clock in the evening of a day on which registration is to cease, register any person as a voter until after the next election, but they may enter or correct upon the registers the names of persons whose qualifications as voters have been examined between the preceding thirtieth day of April and the close of registration. Except in the cities of Boston, Cambridge and Chelsea, and in the town of Watertown, they shall compare all notices of omitted assessments transmitted to them by the assessors under the provisions of section fifteen, with the annual register of voters for the previous year, and if it appears to their satisfaction that any of

said omitted assessments is that of a person entitled to vote in such previous year they may before the close of registration enter such name on the current annual register. They shall, in every case, require the vote by virtue of which such entry or correction is made to be attested by their clerk.”

By striking out section 20, and inserting in place thereof the following: — “SECTION 20. Section four hundred and sixty of said chapter eight hundred and thirty-five, as amended by section eleven of said chapter ninety-one, by section sixteen of said chapter twenty-nine, by section twenty-four of chapter two hundred and fifty-seven of the General Acts of nineteen hundred and eighteen and by section twenty of said chapter one hundred and six and by section twenty of said chapter two hundred and eighty-two of the General Acts of nineteen hundred and eighteen, is hereby further amended by striking out section four hundred and sixty and substituting the following: — ‘*Section 460.* Whoever knowingly or wilfully makes a false affidavit, takes a false oath or signs a false certificate relative to the qualifications of any person for assessment or registration, or in the cities of Boston, Cambridge, Chelsea or in the town of Watertown for being listed, or in Chelsea, Cambridge or Watertown, for being given a certificate of residence by the assessors, shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than one year.’”

By inserting before the last section the following new sections, to be numbered 21 and 22: — “SECTION 21. Said chapter eight hundred and thirty-five, as amended by section twelve of said chapter ninety-one and by section twenty-five of said chapter two hundred and fifty-seven, is hereby further amended by striking out section four hundred and sixty-one and substituting the following: — ‘*Section 461.* Whoever in the cities of Boston, Cambridge or Chelsea, or in the town of Watertown, aids or abets a person in knowingly or wilfully making a false affidavit, taking a false oath or signing a false certificate, relative to the qualifications of any person for being listed as a resident thereof, or in Cambridge, Chelsea or Watertown for being given a certificate of such residence by the assessors, shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than one year.’”

“SECTION 22. Chapter two hundred and fifty-seven of the General Acts of nineteen hundred and eighteen is hereby amended by striking out section twelve and substituting the following: — ‘*Section 12.* In the cities of Boston, Cambridge and Chelsea, and in the town of Watertown, the listing and registration of voters shall continue to be governed by the special laws applicable thereto.’”

Pending these amendments (see Senate, No. 422) and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of Mr. Tarbell.

The House bills

House bills.

To enable certain pensioners and annuitants to receive the emoluments of elective office (House, No. 1128) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

To incorporate Swan Lake Cemetery Association in the town of Dennis (House, No. 1224, changed);

To authorize the city of Boston to pay an annuity to the widow of Charles E. Deininger (House, No. 1421);

To enable the Commonwealth to secure Federal aid in the construction of highways (House, No. 1478);

To dispense with the production of witnesses in order to establish the right to assessment for a poll-tax or to registration as a voter (House, No. 1493, amended); and

Relative to the reserves of trust companies (House, No. 1495);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Report of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 145) of James D. Henderson for the incorporation and organization of life insurance companies under general laws, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of Mr. McLane.

Life insurance companies, — organisation under general laws.

The House Report of the committee on Social Welfare, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 130) of Peter F. Sullivan that preference based on war service be established in the assignment of homesteads and land by the Homestead Commission, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Friday, on motion of Mr. Sullivan.

Soldiers and sailors, — homesteads.

The House reports

Of the committees on Agriculture and Public Health, sitting jointly, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 450) of James W. Hayes relative to the sale of milk and the age at which it is sold;

House reports.

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 248) of Richard Ward and others for the appointment of a finance commission for the city of Lawrence;

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 568) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor, relative to the approval of the board of street commissioners of the city of Boston of the development of vacant land in said city;

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 274) of The Dorchester Board of Trade for an extension of the time within which certain water-meters shall be installed by the city of Boston;

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 799) of A. C. Webber that the operation of the law relative to the sale and distribution of narcotic drugs be made to include paregoric and similar preparations;

House reports.

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 288) of Eugene Stevens that the salaries of turnkeys and watchmen at the State Prison and Massachusetts Reformatory be established;

Of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 985) of David I. Robinsion for additional clerical assistance for the treasurer of the county of Essex;

Of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1241) of A. M. Bridgman that the editor of the daily list of legislative hearings be placed under the civil service law and rules;

Of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 988) of Frank B. Phinney for an investigation by the Public Service Commission of the question of electrifying railroads running to or from the South Terminal Station in the city of Boston;

Of the committee on Social Welfare, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 534) of John J. Murphy that the Homestead Commission be authorized to construct homesteads in the city of Holyoke;

Of the committee on Social Welfare, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 821) of James A. Watson that the city of Boston be authorized to provide housing facilities for its inhabitants;

Of the committee on Social Welfare, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 823) of Robert T. Fowler that provision be made for homesteads for citizens of the Commonwealth; and

Of the committee on Towns, reference to the next General Court (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 138) of Annie M. Sproule that the town of Natick be authorized to pay to her a sum of money;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Brown, at twenty-two minutes before four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, April 1, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Honorable Edwin C. Crampton, former State Senator of New Mexico.

The Honorable Edwin C. Crampton of Raton, New Mexico, formerly a member of the Senate of that State, was introduced by the President and briefly addressed the Senate.

Honorable
Edwin C.
Crampton,
former Senator
in New Mexico.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Resolve relative to the appropriation for the improvement of Beverly Harbor (House, No. 592), ought to pass;

Appropriation,
— Beverly
Harbor.

By Mr. Smith, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to authorize the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board to provide an additional supply of water for the town of Lexington (Senate, No. 368), ought to pass;

Lexington, —
additional
water supply
by Metropolitan
Water and
Sewerage
Board.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to authorize the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board to provide an additional water supply for the town of Milton and the Hyde Park district of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 369), ought to pass;

Milton and
Hyde Park, —
additional
water supply
by Metropolitan
Water and
Sewerage
Board.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to enable the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board to provide an additional water-main for the supply of the East Boston district of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 370), ought to pass; and

East Boston, —
additional
water supply
by Metropolitan
Water and
Sewerage
Board.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the House Bill making an appropriation for suppressing the European corn-borer, so called, (House, No. 1513), ought to pass;

Appropriation,
— European
corn-borer.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Beck, for the committee on Public Lighting, on the petition of Vincent Brogna (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1291), a Resolve to provide for an investigation relative to the storage of illuminating gas in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 424);

Boston, —
storage of
illuminating
gas.

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Reed, for the committee on Towns, on the petition of Everett W. Coleman, a Bill to authorize cities and towns to erect forest-fire observation towers (printed as House, No. 1328);

Forest-fire
observation
towers.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Employees in private families, — weekly payment of wages.

By Mr. Hardy of Worcester, for the committee on Labor, that the recommitted Senate Bill to provide for the weekly payment of wages to employees in private families (Senate, No. 379), ought to be referred to the next General Court;

Read, and the bill placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on referring it to the next General Court.

Mutual fire insurance companies.

By Mr. McLane, for the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 194) of Charles F. Bowers and another relative to the kinds of business that may be transacted by mutual fire insurance companies; and

Insurance Commissioner, — recommendations.

By Mr. Brown, for the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the Insurance Commissioner (House, No. 362) as does NOT relate to the responsibility of employers for the payment of benefits, to the authority of the Insurance Commissioner in the approval of workmen's compensation insurance rates, to the liability of insurance companies for the acts or knowledge of their agents (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 367, 368 and 388); and to appointments and to the standardization and increase of salaries in the department of the Insurance Commissioner (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 375 to 378, inclusive);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Order Adopted.

Mr. Beck offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —

Joint committees, — reports.

Ordered, That the time within which joint committees are required, under the provisions of the 10th joint rule, to make final report upon all matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended to Wednesday, April 9.

Subsequently, the same Senator, for the joint committee on Rules, reported that the order ought to be adopted; and it was considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, further moved by Mr. Beck, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Order.

Mr. Cavanagh offered the following order; and, under the rule, it was referred to the Senate committee on Rules, to wit: —

Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, — constitutionality of proposed legislation to permit the presence of certain persons in the grand jury room.

Whereas, There is pending before the General Court a bill numbered Senate 102, a copy of which is hereunto annexed, providing that the grand jury may, upon request of the district attorney, permit to be present at an examination of witnesses in a case which it is investigating, a police officer or other person who has prepared the case, and also an interpreter for a witness unfamiliar with the English language; and

Whereas, Grave doubt exists as to the constitutionality of said bill, in view of the decision of the Supreme Judicial Court in the

case of the Commonwealth vs. Harris, reported in the two hundred and thirty-first of the Massachusetts Reports, page five hundred and eighty-four; therefore, be it

Ordered, That the Senate require the opinions of the Honorable the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court on the following important questions of law:

(1) Would the bill above described be constitutional if enacted into law?

(2) Is it within the constitutional power of the General Court to enact a statute authorizing the grand jury, upon request of the district attorney or otherwise, to permit to be present during its examination of witnesses a police officer or other person who has been engaged on the preparation of the case, or an interpreter to assist in the examination of witnesses who cannot speak English or whose knowledge of English is so deficient as to render necessary the use of an interpreter?

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill to establish Commissioners on Uniform State Laws (House, No. 431, amended, — on so much of the recommendations of the Board of Commissioners for the Promotion of Uniformity of Legislation in the United States, House, No. 426, as relates thereto), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Commissioners
on Uniform
State Laws.

Bills

Modifying certain standard provisions relating to accident and health policies (House, No. 365, changed, — on the recommendations of the Insurance Commissioner, House, No. 362, in part);

Health and
accident insur-
ance policies, —
standard
provisions.

Relative to the fidelity and surety bonds of certain insurance companies (House, No. 1516, — on the recommendations of the Insurance Commissioner, House, No. 362, in part, see House, No. 366);

Insurance
companies, —
fidelity and
surety bonds.

Relative to reinstatement in the retirement system for employees of the Commonwealth of persons in the military or naval service of the United States (House, No. 1527, — on the recommendations of the Board of Retirement, House, No. 412, in part, see House, No. 413); and

State employ-
ees in Federal
service, —
reinstatement
in retirement
system.

To authorize the town of Sharon to acquire and operate a street railway line and a system of transportation by motor-vehicles (House, No. 1533, — on the petition of Vernon M. Hawkins and another, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1399);

Sharon, —
acquisition of
transportation
facilities.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

A Bill to establish the salaries of the members of the Public Service Commission (House, No. 672, on the petition of Albert L. Whitman), — came up, recommitted to the committee on Public Service, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule; and the Senate concurred in the suspension of the said rule.

Public Service
Commission,
— salaries.

A House Report of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 264) of The Dorchester Board of Trade for regulation of the pur-

Second-hand
motor-vehicles.

chase and sale of second-hand motor-vehicles and parts thereof, — came up, recommitted to the said committee, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule; and the Senate concurred in the suspension of the said rule.

Reports

**Killing
of dogs.**

Of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 561) of Wendell P. Thoré relative to preventing the ruthless and unlawful killing of dogs;

**Milk, — sale
and produc-
tion.**

Of the committees on Agriculture and Public Health, sitting jointly, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 448) of James W. Hayes relative to the sale of milk and to the date of its production (Mr. Carey, of the House, of the committee on Agriculture, dissenting);

**Staple foods,
— cost.**

Of the committee on Federal Relations, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolutions, House, No. 922) of Benjamin C. Lane for Federal legislation relative to the cost of staple foods;

**Protection of
society;
State Guard.**

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's Address (Senate, No. 1) as relates to the "Protection of Society", and on so much thereof concerning the "State Guard" as relates to an active or reserve police;

**Weekly pay-
ment of wages,
— hearings on
complaints.**

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 608) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for an amendment of the law regulating the weekly payment of wages in respect to hearings on complaints;

Fornication.

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 260) of Joseph P. Walsh relative to the crime of fornication; and

**Boston, —
regulation of
hackney
stands.**

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 266) of The Dorchester Board of Trade relative to the establishment and regulation of hackney and automobile stands in the city of Boston; on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 483) of the United Improvement Association and another relative to the establishment and regulation of hackney stands in the city of Boston; on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 941) of John J. Carey relative to the fees to be paid for the licensing of taxicabs and other motor-vehicles used as hackney carriages; and on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 942) of John J. Carey relative to the establishment and regulation of hackney stands in the city of Boston;

**Criminal cases,
— bail.**

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 621) of E. M. Shanley relative to admitting to bail in criminal cases; and

**Lord's Day,
— business
and labor.**

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 625) of Philip J. Feinberg and another that certain business and the performance of certain labor on the Lord's Day be authorized;

**Ayer, — sewer-
age and sewage
disposal.**

Of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on the special report of the State Department of Health relative to a system of sewerage and sewage disposal for such parts of the town of Ayer as are at present in need of

sewerage or likely to require sewerage facilities in the immediate future (House, No. 1334);

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1117) of John I. Fitzgerald relative to appointment and tenure of office in the departments of the auditor, collector and assessors of the city of Boston; and

Boston auditor, collector and assessors, — tenure of employees.

Of the committee on Taxation, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 303) of James J. Moynihan relative to the taxation of certain corporations;

Certain corporations, — taxation.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

A Report of the committee on Municipal Finance, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the recommitted Bill to authorize cities and towns to appropriate money for the payment of additional compensation to their citizens who served in the present war (House, No. 1384), and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Ways and Means, — was read and accepted, in concurrence, in so much as relates to the discharge of the committee on Municipal Finance.

Soldiers and sailors, — compensation from cities and towns.

The following House order (new draft of order adopted in the Senate) was adopted, in concurrence: —

Ordered, That the General Court will receive the report of the joint special committee of the General Court of 1918 appointed to investigate the fish industry in this Commonwealth if such report is submitted not later than the tenth day of April, nineteen hundred and nineteen.

Fish industry, — report of joint special recess committee.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

To authorize the city of Boston to pension Bernard J. Kelley;

Relative to the surrender equities in fraternal benefit societies;

Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

To authorize the Dracut Water Supply District to extend its territory;

Relative to the filing of returns by certain banks;

Relative to the taking of water from the Ipswich River by the cities of Lynn, Peabody, Salem and Beverly and the town of Danvers;

To establish a close season for the hunting or killing of raccoons; and

Relative to the authority of the trustees of the public library of the city of Boston to take and hold real and personal property.

Procedure in Connection with the State Budget Bill.

On motion of Mr. Gifford, —

Voted, That in the consideration of the House Bill making appropriations for the maintenance of departments, boards, com-

State budget.

missions, institutions and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements (House, No. 1413), each of the several captions in Section 2 shall be called in order, and any items thereunder may then be passed for debate or amendment. Items so passed shall thereupon be considered in the order in which they stand; and such items shall first be taken up in like order and acted upon before other parts of the bill are open to debate or amendment.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Savings banks,
etc., — interest
on deposits.

The Senate Bill to authorize trust companies having savings departments, savings banks and institutions for savings to place deposits on interest monthly (printed as House, No. 567), — was considered, as previously amended (see Senate, No. 437); and it was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Acts and
resolves, —
publication.

The Senate Bill to reestablish the publication of the acts and resolves in a single volume (Senate, No. 282), — was considered, as previously amended, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The Senate adopted the pending amendment, previously moved by Mr. Reed, that a new draft entitled "An Act relative to the annual publication of the laws" (Senate, No. 421), be substituted; and, accordingly, the new draft was substituted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 421), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Maternity
board.

The House Report of the committee on Social Welfare, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 91) of Edna Lawrence Spencer that provision be made for maternity benefits and for the creation of a maternity board, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Hobbs.

Revere, —
water supply
for Saugus.

The House Report of the committee on Water Supply, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 843) of Roscoe Walsworth and another that the city of Revere be authorized to discontinue supplying water to the town of Saugus, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Nason.

Deputy Com-
missioner of
Health.

The Bill providing for the appointment of a Deputy Commissioner of Health (printed as House, No. 1147), — was ordered to a third reading.

State budget.

The House Bill making appropriations for the maintenance of departments, boards, commissions, institutions and certain

activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements (House, No. 1413), — was considered; and, pending the amendments recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Gifford.

The motion that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at a previous session, it had rejected the Senate Bill to extend the time for filing returns of taxable property by foreign corporations (Senate, No. 388), — was considered; and the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Hobbs.

Foreign corporations,
— filing of returns.

The engrossed Bill authorizing the city of Boston to raise money for the improvement of the East Boston ferry service (see Senate, No. 155, changed), — was further reconsidered; and the question on passing the bill, the objections of His Excellency the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as provided by the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

Veto message
from Governor,
— East Boston
ferry service.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
Mahoney, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 7.

NAYS.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.

Messrs. Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 27.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Eames, Edward B.

Messrs. Hardy, Walter A.
Perrin, Harold L. — 5.

So the bill failed to pass, two-thirds of the Senate not having agreed to pass the same.

The Senate Bill relative to extensions of the charters of gas and electric companies (Senate, No. 414), — was directed to be returned to the committee on Public Lighting for the reason that, under the 5th joint rule, the measure, which had been recommitted in the House, should have been reported in that branch.

Gas and electric companies,
— extension of charters.

Gas and
electricity, —
increases in
price.

The Senate Bill to regulate increases in the price of gas and electricity (Senate, No. 416), — was read a second time and was amended, on motion of Mr. Nason, by substituting a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 425). The bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft, was then ordered to a third reading.

Quincy, —
city hospital.

The Bill authorizing the city of Quincy to establish a hospital (House, No. 1438, changed), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. McIntosh, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday.

Emerson
College of
Oratory, —
degrees.

The Bill to authorize the Emerson College of Oratory to grant the degree of bachelor of literary interpretation (House, No. 1519), — was read a second time; and it was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 12 to 11.

Bills.

The bills

Relative to provision for depreciation by gas, electric and water companies (Senate, No. 415);

To establish a municipal lighting commission for the city of Taunton (Senate, No. 418);

Relative to the disposition of bonds of gas, electric and water companies (Senate, No. 419);

To require the Civil Service Commission to notify persons taking a civil service examination of the result of their examination (House, No. 1109);

To authorize the town of Athol to acquire land for school purposes (House, No. 1437); and

To authorize the Board of Trustees of Gordon Bible College to grant certain degrees (House, No. 1520);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Game, —
hunting.

The Senate Bill relative to the hunting of ruffed grouse, woodcock, quail, gray squirrels, hares and rabbits (Senate, No. 392), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 4, by inserting after the word "rabbit", in line 28, the words "except only".

This amendment was adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Stockbridge
Library
Association.

The House Bill to incorporate the Stockbridge Library Association (House, No. 136, changed), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out section 3.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Wareham, —
propagation
of alewives.

The House Bill to authorize the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game to lease certain ponds in the town of Wareham for the artificial propagation of alewives (House, No. 1424, amended), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the com-

mittee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out section 2, and inserting in place thereof the following: — "SECTION 2. The lessee of said ponds shall not take therefrom by net or seine any fish other than alewives without immediately returning the same to the waters from which they were taken."

Pending this amendment and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, it was recommended to the committee on Ways and Means, on motion of Mr. McLane.

The House Bill to prohibit the killing of partridge or ruffed grouse until the open season in nineteen hundred and twenty (House, No. 1486), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 1, by inserting at the beginning thereof the words "Except as provided in chapter five hundred and sixty-seven of the Acts of nineteen hundred and twelve,".

Partridge or
ruffed grouse,
— close season.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

The House bills

Relative to collectors of insurance companies (House, No. 383) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

House bills.

To authorize the town of Wakefield to borrow money for new school buildings (House, No. 1479, changed);

To provide for the widening of L Street in the South Boston district of the city of Boston (House, No. 1487, amended);

To validate the current annual town meeting of the town of Marshfield (House, No. 1506) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Relative to the definition of insurance agent or broker (House, No. 1507); and

To forbid payment of compensation to unlicensed insurance agents or brokers (House, No. 1508);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate Report of the committee on Public Lighting, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 86) of John J. Mahoney for legislation to establish the price of gas that may be charged by the Charlestown Gas Company, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of Mr. Mahoney.

Charlestown
Gas Company,
— price of gas.

The Senate Report of the committee on Public Lighting, no further legislation necessary, on the recommendations of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners (House, No. 350), — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Beck.

Board of Gas
and Electric
Light Com-
missioners, —
recommendations.

Supervisor of
Loan Agencies,
— salary of
accountant.

The House Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 807) of Bernard I. McManus that the salary of the accountant in the department of the Supervisor of Loan Agencies be established, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Friday, on motion of Mr. Reed.

The House reports

House reports.

Of the committees on Agriculture and Public Health, sitting jointly, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 449) of James W. Hayes relative to the sale of graded milk;

Of the committees on Agriculture and Public Health, sitting jointly, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1025) of Cornelius A. Parker for legislation to provide for the standardization of milk and cream;

Of the committee on Federal Relations, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by resolutions, House, No. 921) of Charles S. Rackemann relative to the revocation of the resolution ratifying the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to intoxicating liquors;

Of the committee on Federal Relations, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by resolutions, House, No. 1040) of John F. Gillespie for a withdrawal of the action of the General Court of 1918 in ratifying the proposed amendment of the Federal Constitution prohibiting the manufacture, transportation and sale of intoxicating liquors;

Of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 471) of Warren A. Reed and others that the trustees of the General Insurance Guaranty Fund be authorized to set aside a portion of the net profits for the purpose of stabilizing dividends;

Of the committee on Insurance, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Insurance Commissioner and the Bank Commissioner relative to savings and insurance banks and the General Insurance Guaranty Fund (House, No. 1391);

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 188) of William A. Morse relative to partition of real estate;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 939) of Carlton W. Wonson relative to the burden of proof in hearings in equitable process after judgment;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, no legislation necessary, on the special report of The Adjutant General relative to expenditures by cities, towns, private corporations, associations and individuals in connection with the State Guard during the year 1917 (House, No. 1309);

Of the committee on Public Service, no legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the Commission on Mental Diseases (House, No. 392) as relates to the employment of

persons in State institutions (accompanied by bill, House, No. 396);

Of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 71) of Arthur C. Comins relative to the hours of labor of women and minors;

Of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 999) of John I. Fitzgerald relative to the parole of boys committed to the Lyman School for Boys, the Industrial School for Boys and the Suffolk School for Boys; and

Of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1130) of John I. Fitzgerald for the appointment of a probation officer for the county of Suffolk;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Nichols, at twelve minutes past four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, April 2, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Opinion of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court.

The following communication was received from the Honorable the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, to wit:—

To the Honorable the Senate of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

Opinion of
Justices of
the Supreme
Judicial Court;
Boston Ele-
vated Railway
Company,
fares; subway
rentals.

We, the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, have considered the questions upon which our opinion is required by the order of March 12, 1919, a copy of which is hereto annexed, and respectfully submit this opinion:

The questions relate primarily to the constitutionality, if enacted, of Senate Bill No. 54 and House Bill No. 722. These bills in form and substance are amendments to Special Acts 1918, c. 159. Nevertheless the proposed changes are so radical as to make them in substance important new legislation and not mere perfecting of the details of an existing statute. In order to express an intelligent opinion upon the proposed bills, it is necessary to examine the original statute. We are constrained to do this under these circumstances notwithstanding the well settled rule, from which we do not here depart, that we are not required to express to the General Court or either branch thereof opinions as to the constitutionality or construction of statutes already enacted. *Commonwealth v. Smith*, 9 Mass. 53. *Opinion of the Justices*, 226 Mass. 607 and references at page 612.

We consider first Special Acts 1918, c. 159. That act was in substance and effect a taking over of the Boston Elevated Railway by the Commonwealth for operation for a limited period of ten years and possibly for a longer period under some circumstances, upon condition that its terms should be accepted by the holders of not less than a majority of all the stock of the Boston Elevated Railway Company and of the West End Street Railway Company and upon the further condition that the Boston Elevated Railway Company should provide for raising \$3,000,000 by the issuance of that amount of new and preferred stock. Two main purposes of that act were (1) to provide for the establishment of rates of fares which should be adequate to pay the cost of performing the service furnished by the Commonwealth through using the property of the Boston Elevated Railway Company as that cost was defined in § 6, and (2) to make an agreement for the payment of the rental for the use of the Boston Elevated Railway Company and its property by the Commonwealth by agreement with the companies interested to be manifested by acceptance by their stockholders. That rental

was fixed by §§ 5 and 6 at payment not exceeding seven per cent on the preferred stock and by payment of dividends on the common stock of five per cent for the first two years, five and one-half per cent for the succeeding two years, and six per cent for the remainder of the period of public operation. The chief design of that act was to provide by public operation for fares at rates sufficient to meet all costs of furnishing the service.

In § 11 provision was made for the advancement of moneys by the Commonwealth (to be assessed upon the cities and towns enjoying the service) to maintain the reserve fund. But that was rather an incidental provision to tide over the affairs of the company until the fundamental idea of rates adequate to meet the cost of the service could be established and the habits of the travelling public could become adjusted thereto. That act was accepted by the stockholders of the two corporations and the new stock has been subscribed. Thus the act has become operative according to its terms and constitutes a contract between the parties as set forth in § 18.

We are of opinion that that act was constitutional and for these reasons: The means of transportation for people at large is a matter of public interest. In earlier times turnpikes and toll bridges in private ownership and management afforded facilities for travel. Gradually these mostly have been taken over by counties, cities and towns and the tolls abolished. *Andover & Medford Turnpike Corp. v. County Commissioners*, 18 Pick. 486. *Murray v. County Commissioners*, 12 Met. 455. *Central Bridge Corp. v. Lowell*, 4 Gray, 474; *Same v. Same*, 15 Gray, 106. The ownership and operation of a ferry by a municipality contravenes no constitutional limitation. *Attorney General v. Boston*, 123 Mass. 460. Steam railroads in their last analysis are highways for the use of the public. The Commonwealth has in several instances lent its aid to the construction of such railroads. See *Kingman, Petitioner*, 153 Mass. 566, 570, for references to statutes. Numerous special statutes and finally a general law have been enacted authorizing cities and towns to subscribe for stock of railroads. *Kittredge v. North Brookfield*, 138 Mass. 286. *Commonwealth v. Williamstown*, 156 Mass. 70. Such legislation is constitutional. *Prince v. Crocker*, 166 Mass. 347, 361. The Commonwealth contributed toward the construction of the Hoosac Tunnel and ultimately acquired the ownership and assumed the management of the Troy and Greenfield Railroad. *Troy & Greenfield Railroad v. Commonwealth*, 127 Mass. 43. *Amstein v. Gardner*, 134 Mass. 4. Nearly forty early statutes incorporating street railways contained a section whereby the municipality within which such railway was constructed might acquire its property. The construction of the Boston subway for street railway purposes was held a public use for which money raised by taxation lawfully might be expended. *Prince v. Crocker*, 166 Mass. 347. The same is true of the East Boston Tunnel. *Browne v. Turner*, 176 Mass. 9. Property invested in street railways by private investors has been held to become thereby affected with a public interest. *Donham, Receiver, v. Public Service Commission*, 232 Mass. —. It has been decided in

other jurisdictions that the construction, acquisition and operation of street railways may be made a municipal function. *Sun Printing & Publishing Association v. New York*, 152 N. Y. 257. *Walker v. Cincinnati*, 21 Ohio St. 14. *Platt v. San Francisco*, 158 Cal. 74, 81-82. *Barsaloux v. Chicago*, 245 Ill. 598. Under modern conditions local transportation by an electric railway may be determined by the Legislature to concern the welfare and convenience of all the inhabitants of a particular district. In essence Special Acts 1918, c. 159 was a legislative agreement for the lease to the Commonwealth of a public utility to be operated for a limited time by public officers upon the payment of fair rental on an investment made under public supervision and under laws prohibiting stock watering or other means of inflation.

We are led to the conclusion that said c. 159 was within the constitutional power of the Legislature.

A radical change in the scheme embodied in Special Acts 1918, c. 159 is proposed by Senate Bill No. 54 and House Bill No. 722. Rates of fare large enough to pay the cost of the service are abolished and a fare, which is or may be less than cost, is substituted, the balance of the cost to be made up by taxation. Senate Bill No. 54 provides in substance for a maximum fare of five cents upon the lines of the Boston Elevated Railway Company, and if the income thus received shall be inadequate to meet the cost of the service, as apparently confessedly it will be, the deficiency is to be made up by payments to the Boston Elevated Railway Company from the treasury of the Commonwealth out of moneys to be borrowed. Sums so advanced are to be assessed upon the cities and towns in which the lines of the company are operated in proportion to the number of persons therein using the railway company. Thus the money paid to the Boston Elevated Railway Company is ultimately to be raised by taxation. In form and substance Senate Bill No. 54 is an amendment of Special Acts 1918, c. 159. The proposed bill amends that act in effect by striking out § 7, which requires fares as nearly as possible to meet the cost of service, and by substituting therefor its § 1, which establishes a maximum fare of five cents, and by modifying by its §§ 2, 3, 4 and 5 the terms of §§ 9, 10, 11 and 14 of said c. 159. House Bill No. 722 aims at the result of reducing the fares to be charged on lines of the Boston Elevated Railway Company by the payment by the Commonwealth to that company of an amount equal to the rentals due from it for the use of subways and the ultimate assessment of the sums so paid upon the same cities and towns in the same way as in Senate Bill No. 54. This also is a raising by taxation of money for the operation of the Boston Elevated Railway Company. Thus the conception of rates of fare adequate to meet the cost of the service is wholly eliminated and for that plan a fixed maximum rate of fare, which is or may be much less than the cost of service, is put in its place, the difference between the actual cost of the service and the fixed maximum rate to be made up out of moneys to be raised by taxation. The method adopted is to continue the payment of the dividends to the stockholders of the Boston Elevated Railway Company fixed

by said c. 159 and treat these dividends as a part of the cost of the service. The proposed legislation provides also that it shall become operative with its burdens of increased taxation in the various cities and towns to be affected without submission to their voters or municipal boards or officers for acceptance.

It is a matter of common knowledge that the expenses of maintenance and operation of street railways in the neighborhood of Boston have increased enormously since the outbreak of the great war. This is due among other causes to the greatly augmented costs of labor, copper, coal and necessary supplies. The adjustment of fares to meet these changed conditions without unusual public inconvenience and interference with settled social conditions of a considerable portion of the people presents a problem of great difficulty. The present appears to be commonly regarded as a period of transition, where prophecy as to the ultimate adjustments to be reached is uncertain.

The fundamental question thus presented is whether the State has the power under the Constitution to take over a public utility such as is the Boston Elevated Railway Company and operate it for so low a rate of fare as to create a deficit and pay that deficit in the only way in which it can be paid, out of moneys raised by taxation. To state the question differently, it is whether the State can carry such persons as desire to ride upon the Boston Elevated Railway at less than cost and assess the rest of that cost upon the public by taxation. This is an entirely novel question so far as we are aware. No decision has been made of such a question to our knowledge. Reference was made to the general principle in *Opinion of the Justices*, 150 Mass. 592, 593, in these words: "We also assume that the gas or electricity to be furnished to the inhabitants for their private use is to be paid for by them at rates to be established, which shall be deemed sufficient to reimburse to the cities and towns the reasonable cost of what is furnished, and that all the inhabitants of a city or town are to have the same or similar rights to be supplied with gas or electricity, so far as is reasonably practicable, and the capacity and extent of the works, which it is deemed expedient to maintain, will permit. Whether cities and towns can be authorized to give gas or electricity to their inhabitants, or to sell either to them, at varying and disproportionate prices, selecting their customers, selling to some and arbitrarily refusing to sell to others, are questions which it is not necessary to consider." It also was said in *Attorney General v. Boston*, 123 Mass. 460, at pages 469, 470, that it was not necessary to consider "whether it is within the power of the Legislature, under the Constitution of the Commonwealth to authorize a city or town to establish and maintain a free ferry at the public expense." It was said in *Davies v. Boston*, 190 Mass. 194, 197, respecting the same ferry, "The fact that the business, as managed, was not profitable to the city does not change its character."

It is an underlying principle of our government that money raised by taxation can be used only for public purposes and not for the advantage of private individuals. "The power to levy

taxes is founded on the right, duty and responsibility to maintain and administer all the governmental functions of the State and to provide for the public welfare. To justify any exercise of the power requires that the expenditure which it is needed to meet shall be for some public service, or some object which concerns the public welfare. The promotion of the interests of individuals, either in respect of property or business, although it may result incidentally in the advancement of the public welfare, is, in its essential character, a private and not a public object." *Lowell v. Boston*, 111 Mass. 454, 460, 461.

There are numerous instances where the State has authorized the construction and maintenance of public works which involve the element of benefit to private individuals. Assessments of benefits are authorized but seldom are required to equal in amount the benefit conferred. It is limited sometimes to one half only. See as to highways, R. L. c. 50, § 1, now St. 1917, c. 344, Part III, § 1. There is no such limitation as to the assessment of benefits arising from sewers. R. L. c. 49, § 3. Annual assessments for the use of sewers to aid in their maintenance have been authorized. Some statutes authorize assessments for reconstruction of sidewalks. All these statutes have been upheld. *Carson v. Brockton*, 175 Mass. 242, and 182 U. S. 398. *Sayles v. Public Works of Pittsfield*, 222 Mass. 93. Statutes authorizing building of a market-house, *Spaulding v. Lowell*, 20 Pick. 71, the removal of ashes, *Haley v. Boston*, 191 Mass. 291, and the maintenance of public baths, *Bolster v. Lawrence*, 225 Mass. 487, part of the expense to be charged to those benefited, have been upheld. In no instance, so far as we are aware, has it been intimated that the entire expense must be borne by those benefited or that the entire benefit must be assessed. The taking over of toll bridges and roads and the abolition of tolls have already been referred to.

The fundamental question is whether the General Court has the right to authorize the operation of the Boston Elevated Railway Company through trustees appointed by the Governor. It can do so if it is a public purpose. If it is a public purpose, the General Court has the same power respecting that purpose that it has respecting other public purposes. Since transportation of the public such as is furnished by the Boston Elevated Railway is a public purpose, there is no imperative constitutional requirement that it must be operated by the public authorities at cost or at a profit.

The present bills provide in their ultimate analysis for taxation in order that dividends may be paid to the stockholders of a public service corporation. Property invested by private persons in public service corporations becomes affected with a public interest. Statutes authorizing rate regulation of privately owned public utilities rest on this principle. It commonly has been held that stockholders of such corporations who have wisely and honestly invested property actually used for the benefit of the public are entitled to a reasonable return upon their investment. We are unable to discern any distinction in principle between public operation at a loss to be made up by

general taxation of a utility owned by the public and a contribution from public money toward the efficient maintenance of the same utility in private ownership but under public operation. A statute to such an end would be constitutional, however, only after a legislative determination that the real value of the private property so devoted to the public use, together with all its other sources of income, required such contribution in order that it might receive fair return. Legislation designed merely to provide a gratuity to private individuals, corporations or stockholders, would of course be unconstitutional. Such a determination was made in essence by the enactment of said c. 159. That act in §§ 5 and 6 substantially determined that the dividends there set forth constituted a fair return on actual investment.

Therefore, we are of opinion that the public as a body has a concern in the continued operation of the Boston Elevated Railway, by the trustees appointed by the Governor, in a safe and practical manner adequate to the needs of those who travel. If the rational way to accomplish this result is an assumption by the public of a part of the expense so that the burden of operation shall not fall alone upon the shareholders but also in part upon the cities and towns using the service in the way provided in the proposed bills, that is a public purpose. It was an inducement to stockholders to continue an otherwise losing and possibly confiscatory investment.

The right to apportion the public burdens among different, separate divisions of the State can hardly be questioned. *Quincy & Hingham Turnpike Corp. v. County of Norfolk*, 6 Allen, 353. Although it has been the custom of the General Court to submit such legislation to the acceptance of the municipalities to whose taxes resort must be had for the money required, that has not always been done nor is it necessary under the Constitution. The power of the Legislature is paramount in this particular. *Kingman, Petitioner*, 153 Mass. 566.

The questions presented reach into a new field differing fundamentally from any hitherto occupied by legislation. We have given them the best consideration possible in the time at our disposal.

Therefore we answer "yes" to questions (1) and (2) and "no" to questions (3) and (4).

ARTHUR P. RUGG.
WILLIAM CALEB LORING.
HENRY K. BRALEY.
CHARLES A. DECOURCY.
JOHN C. CROSBY.
EDWARD P. PIERCE.
JAMES B. CARROLL.

April 2, 1919.

The communication was read and, on motion of Mr. McLane, was laid on the table and ordered to be printed (Senate, No. 434).

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Corporal Eugene A. Taylor of the 317th Field Signal Battalion, American Expeditionary Force, who had recently returned from France, was introduced by the President and addressed the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

Soldiers' and Sailors' Commission.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill to establish the Soldiers' and Sailors' Commission (House, No. 1382), ought to pass in a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 426);

Boston, — height of buildings.

By Mr. Smith, for the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, on the petition of Herbert A. Wilson (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1077), a Bill relative to the height of buildings in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 427);

Boston, — hospitals.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of Herbert A. Wilson (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1079), a Bill relative to the construction, alteration and maintenance of hospitals in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 428);

Boston, — alteration and maintenance of buildings.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of Herbert A. Wilson, a Bill relative to the construction, alteration and maintenance of buildings in the city of Boston (printed as House, No. 1078);

Massachusetts soldiers, sailors and marines.

By Mr. Tarbell, for the committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of Francis Prescott, a Resolve to provide for the proper observance throughout the Commonwealth of the return of Massachusetts soldiers, sailors and marines (Senate, No. 316); and

West Stockbridge, — indebtedness.

By Mr. Halliwell, for the committee on Municipal Finance, on the petition of William W. Bartlett (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 358), a Bill to authorize the town of West Stockbridge to incur indebtedness for certain purposes (Senate, No. 430);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Supreme Judicial Court, — additional stenographers in Suffolk County.

By Mr. Loring, for the committee on Public Service, on so much of the report of the Attorney-General for the year ending January 15, 1919 (Pub. Doc. 12) as relates thereto, a Bill to authorize the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court to employ additional stenographers in the county of Suffolk (Senate, No. 429); and

Suffolk County, — assistant clerk of Superior Court for criminal business.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the recommended petition of Horace Guild and another, a Bill to establish the salary of the present assistant clerk of the Superior Court for criminal business for the county of Suffolk (Senate, No. 243);

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Beck, for the Senate committee on Rules, that the following Senate order ought to be adopted, to wit: —

Whereas, There is pending before the General Court a bill numbered Senate 102, a copy of which is hereunto annexed, pro-

Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, —

viding that the grand jury may, upon request of the district attorney, permit to be present at an examination of witnesses in a case which it is investigating, a police officer or other person who has prepared the case, and also an interpreter for a witness unfamiliar with the English language; and

constitutionality of proposed legislation to permit the presence of certain persons in the grand jury room.

Whereas, Grave doubt exists as to the constitutionality of said bill, in view of the decision of the Supreme Judicial Court in the case of the Commonwealth vs. Harris, reported in the two hundred and thirty-first of the Massachusetts Reports, page five hundred and eighty-four; therefore, be it

Ordered, That the Senate require the opinions of the Honorable the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court on the following important questions of law:

(1) Would the bill above described be constitutional if enacted into law?

(2) Is it within the constitutional power of the General Court to enact a statute authorizing the grand jury, upon request of the district attorney or otherwise, to permit to be present during its examination of witnesses a police officer or other person who has been engaged on the preparation of the case, or an interpreter to assist in the examination of witnesses who cannot speak English or whose knowledge of English is so deficient as to render necessary the use of an interpreter?

Read, and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator, and adopted.

By Mr. Halliwell, for the committee on Federal Relations, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by resolutions, Senate, No. 255) of Silas D. Reed for legislation to promote universal compulsory military training;

Universal compulsory military training.

By Mr. Knox, for the committee on Mercantile Affairs, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's Address (Senate, No. 1) as relates to "Material Welfare"; and

Governor's address, — material welfare.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 62) of Fred M. Knight and another for legislation to regulate the sale of leather;

Leather.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Committee Discharged.

Mr. Loring, for the committee on Public Service, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 683) of the police commissioner for the city of Boston relative to removals, suspensions and transfers in the police department of said city, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Boston, — removals, suspensions and transfers in police department.

The report was read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Reconsideration.

State institutions, — employment of persons.

On motion of Mr. Hastings, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had accepted, in concurrence, the House Report of the committee on Public Service, no legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the Commission on Mental Diseases (House, No. 392) as relates to the employment of persons in State institutions (accompanied by bill, House, No. 396).

Pending the recurring question on accepting the report, in concurrence, it was amended, on further motion of the same Senator, by substituting a "Bill relative to the employment of persons in the institutional service of the Commonwealth" (printed as House, No. 396); and the bill was read and, under the rule, was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

Cambridge Gas Light Company.

On motion of Mr. Counihan, the Senate Report of the committee on Public Lighting, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 273) of Edward A. Counihan, Jr., and another relative to the price of gas which may be charged by the Cambridge Gas Light Company, — was taken from the table and considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of the same Senator.

Petitions.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows:—

Brockton, — superintendent of public buildings.

By Mr. Dahlborg, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 431) of William L. Gleason, mayor, and another that the city of Brockton be authorized to elect its superintendent of public buildings;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. Beck, to the committee on Cities.

Springfield Branch of the Women's Board of Missions.

By Mr. Chamberlain, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 432) of Elizabeth S. Burnham and others for an amendment of the act incorporating the Springfield Branch of the Women's Board of Missions;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. Beck, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

LeRoy E. Talcott of Winthrop.

By Mr. Beck, a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 433) of Richard R. Flynn that LeRoy E. Talcott of Winthrop be reimbursed for certain expenses incurred by him while in the military service;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by the same Senator, to the committee on Military Affairs.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill relative to the amount to be allowed for the burial of indigent soldiers and sailors (House, No. 649, on the petition of Otis Clapp), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills

To extend the powers of burglary insurance companies (House, No. 389, — on the recommendations of the Insurance Commissioner, House, No. 362, in part);

Relative to collection agencies (House, No. 1061, changed, — on the petition of William A. Kneeland);

To prevent the promotion of anarchy (House, No. 1502, changed, — on the petition of John L. Bates and others); and

Relative to proof of death upon certain petitions for administration (House, No. 1518, — on the petition of Joseph C. Pelletier, accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 229);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

The Senate Bill to authorize the Berkshire Street Railway Company to sell and transmit electricity for certain purposes (Senate, No. 374, amended) (its title having been changed in the House), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out, at the end of section 1 (as amended), the words "It may also transmit for electric companies electricity furnished by them for such transmission, the transmission to be either from one electric company for delivery to another electric company, or from one electric company to the same electric company in other territory in which it is authorized to do business", and inserting in place thereof the words "It may also transmit for electric companies within said county electricity furnished by them for transmission to other electric companies within said county."

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the amendment was considered forthwith and was adopted, in concurrence.

Reports

Of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 727) of Wilfrid Wheeler that provision be made for the collection of agricultural statistics;

Of the committees on Agriculture and Public Health, sitting jointly, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 451) of Wendell P. Thoré relative to the public control of the production, price and sale of milk;

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 943) of Thomas H. Bates that persons holding municipal offices be required to reside in the city or town in which they are employed;

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 980) of John I.

Indigent soldiers and sailors, — burial allowances.

Burglary insurance company, — powers.

Collection agencies.

Anarchy.

Deceased persons, — proof of death.

Berkshire Street Railway Company, — sale of electricity.

Agricultural statistics.

Milk, — public control.

Municipal officials, — local residence.

Certain county employees, — temporary increase of salary.

Fitzgerald for a temporary increase of salary for certain county employees; and

Governor's
Address, —
railroads.

Of the committee on Railroads, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's Address (Senate, No. 1) concerning "Transportation" as relates to railroads;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Soldiers, sailors
and marines, —
State pay.

A Report of the committee on Military Affairs, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 284) of Peter F. Sullivan that State pay for soldiers, sailors and marines be continued from the date originally provided in chapter 211 of the Acts of 1917; of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1120) of John Mitchell for an extension of the time during which the ten-dollar bounty shall be paid to soldiers and sailors from this Commonwealth; and of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1123) of the mayor and city solicitor of the city of Malden for an extension of the time within which payment of war allowance and State aid to dependents of soldiers and sailors may be made, and recommending that the same be referred to the House committee on Ways and Means, — was read and accepted, in concurrence, in so much as relates to the discharge of the committee on Military Affairs.

Boston, —
additional
subway station
at Boylston
Street.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate Bill relative to the preparation of plans for the construction of the additional Boylston Street subway station (Senate, No. 402), had been rejected by the House.

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to each of the following House petitions; and, accordingly, under the said rule, they were severally referred to the next General Court, to wit: —

Falmouth, —
Deacon's
Pond Harbor.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1523) of the chairman of the board of selectmen of the town of Falmouth that the name of Deacon's Pond Harbor in said town be changed to Falmouth Inner Harbor; and

Worcester
county register
of probate, —
clerical
assistance.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1524) of Harry H. Atwood relative to the expenses of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Worcester.

House petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

Boston, —
widow of
Thomas J.
Stevens.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1521) of Francis B. McKinney and another that the city of Boston be authorized to pay an annuity to the widow of Thomas J. Stevens; and

Malden, —
widow of
Samuel Tilden.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1522) of the mayor of the city of Malden that said city be authorized to pay a sum of money to the widow of Samuel Tilden;

Severally, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, in each instance, to the committee on Cities.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

To enable manufacturing corporations to provide for the representation of their employees on the board of directors;

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To provide for filling vacancies on wage boards;

Relative to the suppression of the European corn-borer and other insect pests and plant diseases;

Making an appropriation for the expenses of a parade in Boston of the Twenty-Sixth Division, United States Army, and for other like expenses;

Relative to allowances for travel duty of members of the militia;

To require the keeping of certain records relative to the standing of attorneys at law;

Relative to the compensation of members of the board of aldermen of the city of Fall River;

To authorize the city of Cambridge to retire and pension certain employees of the board of health;

To make the Worcester department of the Grafton State Hospital a part of the Worcester State Hospital; and

Relative to the appointment of an additional deputy in the department of the Auditor of the Commonwealth.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Bill relative to the annual publication of the laws (Senate, No. 421), — was passed to be engrossed.

Acts and
resolves, —
publication.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 517) of James M. Keaney relative to appointments and promotions of police officers in the classified civil service, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Wednesday, on motion of Mr. Counihan.

Police officers,
— civil service
status.

The House Bill making appropriations for the maintenance of departments, boards, commissions, institutions and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements (House, No. 1413), — was considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading.

State budget.

The following pending amendments, previously recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, were adopted, to wit: —

Striking out, in Item 17, the words "six thousand five hundred", and inserting in place thereof the words "ten thousand";

Striking out, in Item 29, the words "twelve thousand seven

hundred", and inserting in place thereof the words "fifteen thousand five hundred";

Striking out, in Item 41, the words "thirty thousand", and inserting in place thereof the words "thirty-three thousand";

Striking out, in Item 72, the words "fifteen thousand", and inserting in place thereof the words "twelve thousand";

Inserting, in Item 182, after the word "equipment", the words "and rent of certain offices";

Striking out, in Item 258, the words "fifty-nine thousand five hundred", and inserting in place thereof the words "sixty-two thousand";

Striking out, in Item 284, the words "inspection department", and inserting in place thereof the words "commission and employees";

Striking out, in Item 302, the word "twenty-six", and inserting in place thereof the word "sixteen";

Inserting a new item as follows: — "302a. For the purchase of an automobile and the necessary expenses of maintenance and operation for any use directed by the Governor or the Adjutant General, a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars.";

Inserting after Item 329 the following: "Expenditures authorized under Items 317 to 322, inclusive, and 324 to 329, inclusive, are to be paid from the receipts from income of property of the port of Boston";

Striking out Item 352 and inserting in place thereof the following: "Item 352. For the care and operation of certain farm machinery purchased during the year nineteen hundred and eighteen, a sum not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars.";

Striking out, in Item 370a, the words "a rearing station", and inserting in place thereof the words "rearing stations";

Striking out, in Item 376, the words "eighty-two thousand five hundred", and inserting in place thereof the words "eighty-three thousand three hundred";

Striking out, in Item 418, the words "twenty thousand", and inserting in place thereof the words "twenty thousand two hundred and fifty";

Striking out, in Item 420, the words "and expenses", and also the words "thirty-six hundred and thirty", and inserting in place thereof the words "forty-six hundred and fifty";

Striking out, in Item 425, the words "twelve thousand", and inserting in place thereof the words "thirteen thousand five hundred";

Striking out, in Item 428, the words "nineteen thousand two hundred", and inserting in place thereof the words "twenty thousand four hundred";

Striking out, in Item 429, the words "sixteen thousand", and inserting in place thereof the words "sixteen thousand eight hundred";

Striking out, in Item 482, the words "with the approval of the trustees.";

The amendment recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, — striking out Item 249, — was considered; and the question thereon was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Jackson, George H.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
McLane, Walter E.
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 19.

NAYS.

Messrs. Callahan, Edward
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Kearney, John J.
Mahoney, John J.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Sullivan, Peter F. — 13.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. Edward B. Eames,
Mr. Harold L. Perrin,

NAYS.

Mr. Charles A. Winchester (present).
Mr. John J. Walsh (present). — 4.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Curtin, John A.
McIntosh, David S.

Mr. Francis Prescott. — 3.

So the amendment was adopted.

The following amendment recommended by the committee on Ways and Means was considered, to wit: —

Striking out, in Item 257, the words "eighty-four thousand", and inserting in place thereof the words "eighty-eight thousand".

On motion of Mr. Gifford, the amendment was amended by striking out from the words to be inserted the word "eighty-eight", and inserting in place thereof the word "ninety". The amendment, as amended, was then adopted.

On motion of Mr. Halliwell, the bill was further amended by striking out, in Item 499, the word "twenty-two", and inserting in place thereof the word "twenty-four".

On motion of the same Senator, the bill was further amended by striking out, in Item 500, the word "one," and inserting in place thereof the word "five".

On motion of Mr. Knox, the bill was further amended by striking out, in Item 509a, the word "twenty-five", and inserting in place thereof the word "thirty".

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

The motion that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at a previous session, it had rejected the Senate Bill to extend the time for filing returns of taxable property by foreign corporations (Senate, No. 388), — was considered; and the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Hobbs.

Foreign
corporations,
— filing of
returns.

The bills**Bills.**

To authorize the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board to provide an additional supply of water for the town of Lexington (Senate, No. 368);

To authorize the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board to provide an additional water supply for the town of Milton and the Hyde Park district of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 369);

To enable the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board to provide an additional water main for the supply of the East Boston district of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 370);

To authorize cities and towns to erect forest-fire observation towers (printed as House, No. 1328);

Modifying certain standard provisions relating to accident and health policies (House, No. 365, changed);

Making an appropriation for suppressing the European corn-borer, so called (House, No. 1513);

Relative to the fidelity and surety bonds of certain insurance companies (House, No. 1516);

Relative to reinstatement in the retirement system for employees of the Commonwealth of persons in the military or naval service of the United States (House, No. 1527); and

To authorize the town of Sharon to acquire and operate a street railway line and a system of transportation by motor-vehicles (House, No. 1533); and

Resolve.

The Resolve relative to the appropriation for the improvement of Beverly Harbor (House, No. 592);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Employees in private families, — weekly payment of wages.

The Senate Bill to provide for the weekly payment of wages to employees in private families (Senate, No. 379), — was referred to the next General Court, as had been recommended by the committee on Labor.

The Senate bills**Senate bills.**

Relative to provision for depreciation by gas, electric and water companies (Senate, No. 415);

To establish a municipal lighting commission for the city of Taunton (Senate, No. 418); and

Relative to the disposition of bonds of gas, electric and water companies (Senate, No. 419);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Deputy Commissioner of Health.

The Senate Bill providing for the appointment of a Deputy Commissioner of Health (printed as House, No. 1147), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft entitled: "An Act to establish the office of Deputy Commissioner of Health" (Senate, No. 435).

This amendment was adopted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 435), was placed in the Orders of the

Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The House Bill to amend the laws relating to soldiers' relief (House, No. 650), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be rejected as the provisions thereof have been incorporated in a new draft of a bill reported by said committee in substitution for House Bill No. 1512, relating to the same subject. Soldiers' relief.

Pending this recommendation, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the bill was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Finkel.

The House Bill relative to the notices to be given in certain cases of military aid and soldiers' relief (House, No. 1512), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft entitled: "An Act relative to the granting of soldiers' relief and military aid" (Senate, No. 436). Military aid and soldiers' relief.

This amendment was adopted.

Under this rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 436), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The House bills

To require the Civil Service Commission to notify persons taking a civil service examination of the result of their examination (House, No. 1109); House bills.

To authorize the town of Athol to acquire land for school purposes (House, No. 1437);

To authorize the Emerson College of Oratory to grant the degree of bachelor of literary interpretation (House, No. 1519); and

To authorize the Board of Trustees of Gordon Bible College to grant certain degrees (House, No. 1520);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate Report of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 194) of Charles F. Bowers and another relative to the kinds of business that may be transacted by mutual fire insurance companies, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Smith. Mutual fire insurance companies.

The Senate Report of the committee on Insurance, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the Insurance Commissioner (House, No. 362) as does not relate to the responsibility of employers for the payment of benefits, to the authority of the Insurance Commissioner in the approval of workmen's compensation insurance rates, and to the liability of insurance companies for the acts or knowledge of their agents Senate report.

(accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 367, 368 and 388); and to appointments and to the standardization and increase of salaries in the department of the Insurance Commissioner (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 375 to 378, inclusive), — was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Weekly payment of wages, — hearings on complaints.

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 608) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for an amendment of the law regulating the weekly payment of wages in respect to hearings on complaints, — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

Mr. Kearney moved that the report be amended by substituting a "Bill relative to the weekly payment of wages" (printed as House, No. 608); and this amendment was rejected.

The report was then accepted, in concurrence.

House reports.

The House reports

Of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 561) of Wendell P. Thoré relative to preventing the ruthless and unlawful killing of dogs;

Of the committees on Agriculture and Public Health, sitting jointly, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 448) of James W. Hayes relative to the sale of milk and to the date of its production;

Of the committee on Federal Relations, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolutions, House, No. 922) of Benjamin C. Lane for Federal legislation relative to the cost of staple foods;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's Address (Senate, No. 1) as relates to the "Protection of Society"; and on so much thereof concerning the "State Guard" as relates to an active or reserve police;

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 260) of Joseph P. Walsh relative to the crime of fornication;

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 266) of The Dorchester Board of Trade relative to the establishment and regulation of hackney and automobile stands in the city of Boston; on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 483) of the United Improvement Association and another relative to the establishment and regulation of hackney stands in the city of Boston; on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 941) of John J. Carey relative to the fees to be paid for the licensing of taxicabs and other motor-vehicles used as hackney carriages; and on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 942) of John J. Carey relative to the establishment and regulation of hackney stands in the city of Boston;

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 621) of E. M. Shanley relative to admitting to bail in criminal cases;

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 625) of Philip J. Feinberg and another that certain business and the performance of certain labor on the Lord's Day be authorized;

Of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on the special report of the State Department of Health relative to a system of sewerage and sewage disposal for such parts of the town of Ayer as are at present in need of sewerage or likely to require sewerage facilities in the immediate future (House, No. 1334);

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1117) of John I. Fitzgerald relative to appointment and tenure of office in the departments of the auditor, collector and assessors of the city of Boston; and

Of the committee on Taxation, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 303) of James J. Moynihan relative to the taxation of certain corporations;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Tarbell, at five minutes past five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, April 3, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Bill Recalled from the Governor.*European
corn-borer.

On motion of Mr. Colburn, it was voted that a message be sent to His Excellency the Governor requesting the return to the Senate of the engrossed Bill relative to the suppression of the European corn-borer and other insect pests and plant diseases (see Senate, No. 327, amended).

Mr. Colburn was appointed the messenger. Subsequently, the bill was returned and, after the Orders of the Day had been disposed of, was laid before the Senate. There being no objection, on motion of the same Senator, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had passed the bill to be enacted.

On further motions of Mr. Colburn, Senate Rule No. 49 was suspended and the bill was amended in section 1, by inserting after the word "pest", where it first occurs in said section, the words ", except the gypsy and brown tail moth,"; and by inserting before the words "an insect pest", the word "such".

Sent down for concurrence in the amendments. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. McLane.

*Reports of Committees.*Treasurer and
Receiver-
General's
department.

By Mr. McLane, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill relative to the department of the Treasurer and Receiver-General (printed as House, No. 425), ought to pass;

Fresh fish, —
inspector.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to provide for the appointment of an inspector of fresh fish (printed as House, No. 892), ought to pass;

Commissioners
of Uniform
State Laws.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the House Bill to establish Commissioners on Uniform State Laws (House, No. 431, amended), ought to pass;

Superior Court,
— sessions in
Lynn for
naturalisation
purposes.

By Mr. Smith, for the same committee, that the House Bill relative to sessions of the Superior Court in the city of Lynn for naturalization purposes (House, No. 479, changed), ought to pass;

Boston, —
Dry Dock
Avenue in
South Boston.

By Mr. Curran, for the same committee, that the House Bill relative to Dry Dock Avenue in the South Boston district of the city of Boston (House, No. 435, amended), ought to pass; and

Massachusetts
soldiers and
sailors, —
record.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the House Bill to provide for a record of Massachusetts soldiers and sailors in the present war (House, No. 1434), ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. McLane, for the committee on Insurance, on the petition of Warren A. Reed and others, a Bill relative to the amount of insurance which savings and insurance banks may pay upon the death of the insured (printed as House, No. 472);

Savings and insurance banks, — amount payable for deaths.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By the same Senator, for the joint committee on Rules, no legislation necessary, on the report of the Supervisor of Administration, in response to an order adopted by the Senate, relative to delay in the printing of bills and other documents (Senate, No. 376);

Supervisor of Administration, — delay in printing documents.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Reconsideration.

On motion of Mr. McLane, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to the House petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1524) of Harry H. Atwood relative to the expenses of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Worcester. On the recurring question, the rule was suspended, in concurrence; and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.

Worcester county register of probate, — clerical assistance.

Bills Ordered Reprinted.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain, —

Voted, That the following bills, severally accompanying the report of the Special Recess Commission on Education (Senate, No. 330), be reprinted as separate Senate documents, to wit: —

Bill relative to attendance at schools in places other than residence (Senate, No. 393).

School attendance.

Bill to revise chapter forty-three of the Revised Laws (Senate, No. 394).

Public schools, — duties of certain officials.

Bill to determine the number of children retarded in mental development and to provide for their instruction (Senate, No. 395).

Children retarded in mental development.

Bill to provide for instruction of foreigners in the English language (Senate, No. 396).

Foreigners, — instruction in English language.

Bill relative to the granting of degrees by colleges and other institutions of learning (Senate, No. 397).

Colleges, etc., — granting of degrees.

Bill relative to the employment of superintendents of schools (Senate, No. 398).

Superintendents of schools.

Bill for the better protection of school-houses against fire (Senate, No. 399).

School-houses, — protection against fire.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain, —

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Public Health be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, Spectacle Island, Boston and the Taunton River, be extended to April 11.

Committee on Public Health, — travel.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

State land in
Westminster,
— conveyance
to Boston and
Maine
Railroad.
State farm
machinery, —
operation and
sale.

To authorize the conveyance of certain land of the Commonwealth in the town of Westminster (House, No. 976, changed, — on the petition of A. W. Cole and another); and

To provide for the operation and sale of the State farm machinery by the State Department of Agriculture (House, No. 1447, amended, — on the recommendations of the State Department of Agriculture, House, No. 328, in part, see House, No. 330); and

Charles River,
— protection
from pollution.

A Resolve providing for a report by the State Department of Health relative to the pollution of the Charles River (House, No. 1525, — on the petition of Francis B. McKinney, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1101);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills

State Drainage
Board, —
powers and
duties.

To enlarge the powers and duties of the State Drainage Board (printed in House, No. 234, — on the second annual report of the State Department of Agriculture and the State Department of Health relative thereto);

Innholders' and common
victuallers' licenses, —
suspension and
revocation.

Relative to the suspension or revocation of innholders' and common victuallers' licenses (House, No. 339, — on the recommendations of the licensing board for the city of Boston, House, No. 338); and

County retirement
systems.

Relative to reinstatement of soldiers and sailors in county retirement systems for employees (House, No. 1436, on the petition of the County of Worcester Retirement Board);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Boston, —
pensions for
school janitors
or attendance
officers.

The Senate Bill relative to the maximum pension payable to retired school janitors or attendance officers in the city of Boston (printed as House, No. 533), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following new section: "SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the mayor, the city council, and the school-committee of the city of Boston."

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Kearney, and the amendment was considered forthwith and was adopted, in concurrence.

Reports

Names on
ballots, —
position.

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 744) of Wilbur F. Adams and others for legislation relative to the position of names of candidates on the official ballot (Mr. Sawyer, of the House, dissenting);

Conservation
of water
power, —
convention of
New England
delegates.

Of the committee on Federal Relations, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 927) of Carlton W. Wonson for a convention of delegates from all the New England

States to consider the conservation and utilization of the water-power of said States;

Of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 596) of George Bunting relative to the reserve to be carried on life insurance policies (Messrs. McLane and Brown, of the Senate, dissenting);

Life insurance policies, — reserves.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 100) of Charles Carroll King and others that the office of district attorney, assistant district attorney and probation officer be established in each of the counties of Plymouth and Norfolk (Mr. Dahlborg, of the Senate, dissenting);

Plymouth and Norfolk counties, — separate district attorneys and probation officers.

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1065) of James J. Mulvey that assignments of more than half the wages of any person be made invalid; and

Assignment of wages, — restriction.

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 49) of the Medical Liberty League, Inc., that the compulsory vaccination law be repealed (Mr. Jackson, of the Senate, and Mr. Mulveny, of the House, dissenting);

Compulsory vaccination, — abolition.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

Further extending the time for the organization of the Bay State Life Insurance Company;

Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

To require employers to keep records of the working hours of women and minors in certain cases;

To provide for the appointment in the county of Suffolk of trustees for county aid to agriculture; and

To provide for the posting of notices of hearings, nominations for wage boards, and of decrees of the Minimum Wage Commission.

An engrossed Resolve authorizing the commissioners of the Massachusetts Nautical School to reimburse officers and cadets of the training ship "Nantucket" for certain losses sustained by them (which originated in the House), — was passed and, with the above-named bills, was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Resolve passed, etc.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Report of the committee on Public Lighting, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 273) of Edward A. Counihan, Jr., and another relative to the price of gas which may be charged by the Cambridge Gas Light Company, — was accepted.

Cambridge Gas Light Company, — price of gas.

Sent down for concurrence.

Watertown, —
listing of
voters.

The House Bill relative to the listing of voters in the town of Watertown (House, No. 715, amended), — was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate adopted the pending amendments previously recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading (see Senate, No. 422).

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

Old age
pensions.

The House Report of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 294) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for the establishment of a system of non-contributory old age pensions, — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

Mr. Kearney moved that the report be amended by substituting a "Bill to provide for a system of old age pensions to protect citizens from want in old age, and during the maternity period, invalidity, disability or unemployment" (printed as House, No. 996); and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.

Messrs. Halliwell, John
Kearney, John J.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Winchester, Charles A. — 15.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Curtin, John A.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Loring, Augustus P.
McLane, Walter E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 19.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. John J. Walsh (present),
Mr. Peter F. Sullivan (present),

NAYS.

Mr. Harold L. Perrin.
Mr. Edward B. Eames. — 4.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. Joseph O. Knox. — 1.

So the amendment was rejected.

The report was then accepted, in concurrence.

Id.

The House reports

Of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 295) of Patrick J.

Guerin for the establishment of a State system of old age annuities;

Of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 994) of Wendell Phillips Thoré for the establishment of a system of non-contributory old age pensions; Old age pensions.

Of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 995) of Wendell Phillips Thoré and another for the establishment of a system of old age pensions and other protection against want; and

Of the committee on Social Welfare, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 996) of Wendell Phillips Thoré and another for the establishment of a system of non-contributory pensions to protect citizens from want in old age or during disability or unemployment;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The House Report of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 145) of James D. Henderson for the incorporation and organization of life insurance companies under general laws, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. McLane. Life insurance companies, — organisation under general laws.

The motion that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at a previous session, it had rejected the Senate Bill to extend the time for filing returns of taxable property by foreign corporations (Senate, No. 388), — was considered; and the question thereon was determined as follows, to wit: — Foreign corporations, filing of returns.

YEAS.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Loring, Augustus P.

Messrs. Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 15.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Dahlborg, Edward N.

Messrs. Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Kearney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Winchester, Charles A. — 12.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. Leonard F. Hardy (present),
Mr. John A. Curtin,
Mr. Charles S. Smith (present),
Mr. Walter A. Hardy (present),

NAYS.

Mr. Edward B. Eames.
Mr. John Cronin (present).
Mr. Joseph O. Knox.
Mr. Harold L. Perrin. — 8.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Curran, George E.
Jackson, George H.

Messrs. Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J. — 4.

So the Senate reconsidered the vote by which it had rejected the bill.

On motion of Mr. Hobbs, the bill was amended by striking out the word "October" (after the words "and inserting in place thereof the word"), and inserting in place thereof the word "August"; and by striking out, in line 45, the word "October", and inserting in place thereof the word "August".

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Quincy, —
hospital.

The Bill authorizing the city of Quincy to establish a hospital (House, No. 1438, changed), — was ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bills

Deputy Com-
missioner of
Health.
Military aid
and soldiers'
relief.

To establish the office of Deputy Commissioner of Health (Senate, No. 435); and

Relative to the granting of soldiers' relief and military aid (Senate, No. 436);

Were severally passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Charlestown
Gas Company,
— price of gas.

The Senate Report of the committee on Public Lighting, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 86) of John J. Mahoney for legislation to establish the price of gas that may be charged by the Charlestown Gas Company, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Mahoney.

Soldiers' and
Sailors'
Commission.

The Senate Bill to establish the Soldiers' and Sailors' Commission (Senate, No. 426), — was read a second time and was amended in section 2, on motion of Mr. Churchill, by striking out, in lines 2 to 10, inclusive, the words "Commissioner of Labor, the Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions, the Adjutant General, and six other citizens of the Commonwealth to be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Council. Of the six members so appointed, two at least shall be persons who have served in the army or navy of the United States during the present war, and have been honorably discharged or released therefrom.", — and inserting in place thereof the words "persons appointed under the provisions of chapter one hundred and twelve of the Special Acts of nineteen hundred and nineteen."

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

Boston, —
height of
buildings.

The Senate Bill relative to the height of buildings in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 427), — was read a second time and was amended in section 1, on motion of Mr. Loring, by striking out, in line 34, the word "signs". The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

Anarchy.

The House Bill to prevent the promotion of anarchy (House, No. 1502, changed), — was read a second time. On motions of Mr. Reed, the 5th joint rule was suspended and the bill was recommitted to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the said rule.

The bills

Relative to the construction, alteration and maintenance of hospitals in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 428);

To authorize the town of West Stockbridge to incur indebtedness for certain purposes (Senate, No. 430);

Relative to the employment of persons in the institutional service of the Commonwealth (printed as House, No. 396);

Relative to the construction, alteration and maintenance of buildings in the city of Boston (printed as House, No. 1078);

To extend the powers of burglary insurance companies (House, No. 389);

Relative to collection agencies (House, No. 1061, changed); and

Relative to proof of death upon certain petitions for administration (House, No. 1518); and

The Resolve to provide for the proper observance throughout the Commonwealth of the return of Massachusetts soldiers, sailors and marines (Senate, No. 316);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill to authorize the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board to provide an additional supply of water for the town of Lexington (Senate, No. 368), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 2, by inserting after the word "determine", in line 21, the words "and shall be for such terms as the General Court may subsequently provide upon the recommendation of the Governor, in accordance with section 3, of Article LXII of the amendments to the Constitution."

Lexington, — additional water supply by Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill to authorize the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board to provide an additional water supply for the town of Milton and the Hyde Park district of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 369), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 2, by inserting after the word "determine", in lines 15 and 16, the words "and shall be for such terms as the General Court may subsequently provide upon the recommendation of the Governor, in accordance with section 3 of Article LXII of the amendments to the constitution."

Milton and Hyde Park, — additional water supply by Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill to enable the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board to provide an additional water main for the supply of the East Boston district of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 370), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee

East Boston, — additional water supply by Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board.

on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 2, by inserting after the word "determine", in lines 15 and 16, the words "and shall be for such terms as the General Court may subsequently provide upon the recommendation of the Governor, in accordance with section three of Article LXII of the amendments to the Constitution."

This amendment was adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Senate bill.

The Senate Bill to authorize cities and towns to erect forest fire observation towers (printed as House, No. 1328), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

House bills.

The House bills

Modifying certain standard provisions relating to accident and health policies (House, No. 365, changed);

Relative to the status of certain surety bonds and of the companies issuing the same (House, No. 1516) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

Relative to reinstatement in the retirement system for employees of the Commonwealth of persons in the military or naval service of the United States (House, No. 1527); and

House resolve.

The House Resolve relative to the appropriation for the improvement of Beverly Harbor (House, No. 592);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

State budget.

The House Bill making appropriations for the maintenance of departments, boards, commissions, institutions and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements (House, No. 1413), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments previously adopted by the Senate, which were sent down for concurrence.

**Appropriation,
— European
corn-borer.**

The House Bill making an appropriation for suppressing the European corn-borer, so called (House, No. 1513), — was read a third time.

Mr. Colburn moved that the bill be amended by striking out, in line 6, the word "Commissioner", and inserting in place thereof the word "Department".

Pending this amendment and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Beck.

**Universal
compulsory
military
training.**

The Senate Report of the committee on Federal Relations, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by resolutions, Senate, No. 255) of Silas D. Reed for legislation to promote universal compulsory military training, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Reed.

The Senate Report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, no Senate report. legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's Address (Senate, No. 1) as relates to "Material Welfare", — was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, Leather. reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 62) of Fred M. Knight and another for legislation to regulate the sale of leather, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Wednesday, on motion of Mr. Nichols.

The House reports

Of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the House reports. petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 727) of Wilfrid Wheeler that provision be made for the collection of agricultural statistics;

Of the committees on Agriculture and Public Health, sitting jointly, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 451) of Wendell P. Thoré relative to the public control of the production; price and sale of milk;

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 943) of Thomas H. Bates that persons holding municipal offices be required to reside in the city or town in which they are employed;

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 980) of John I. Fitzgerald for a temporary increase of salary for certain county employees; and

Of the committee on Railroads, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's Address (Senate, No. 1) concerning "Transportation" as relates to railroads;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Weston, at two minutes before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

FRIDAY, April 4, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*State farm
machinery, —
operation and
sale.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill to provide for the operation and sale of the State farm machinery by the State Department of Agriculture (House, No. 1447, amended), ought to pass; and

Worcester
County Law
Library
Association.

By Mr. Smith, for the same committee, that the House Bill to extend the provisions of law relative to the retirement of county employees to the employees of the Worcester County Law Library Association (House, No. 829), ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Weights and
Measures, —
fees for
sealing.

By Mr. Knox, for the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of the president of the Massachusetts Association of Sealers of Weights and Measures (accompanied by bill, House, No. 271), a Bill relative to the fees for sealing weights and measures (Senate, No. 438) (Mr. Odlin, of the House, dissenting);

Lord's Day, —
motion
pictures.

By Mr. Tarbell, for the same committee, on the petition of Frank H. Cowin, a Bill to prohibit the exhibition of motion pictures on the Lord's Day in theatres or other places of public amusement (printed as House, No. 1070, — changed by the committee in section 1, by inserting after the word "picture", in line 7, the words "or vaudeville"); and

Places of
amusement, —
admission of
children.

By Mr. Weston, for the committee on Social Welfare, on the petition of Michael H. Sullivan, a Bill relative to the admission of children under sixteen years of age to places of amusement (printed as House, No. 997);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Cinematograph.

By Mr. Knox, for the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 337) of Francis H. Lincoln and another relative to the operation of the cinematograph or any similar apparatus;

Theatres, etc.,
— sale of
tickets.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 634) of Philip J. Feinberg for regulation of the sale of tickets of admission to theatres and other places of amusement;

Id.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1225) of John P. Englert and others relative to the sale of theatre tickets;

Storage of
fluids or gases,
— tanks or
containers.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1318) of Edward A. Scigliano relative to the use of tanks or containers for the storage of fluids or gases (Mr. Odlin, of the House, dissenting); and

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1396) of David S. Beyer relative to the use of cinematographs and similar apparatus; Cinematographs.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Reconsideration.

Mr. McLane asked unanimous consent that he might move that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at a previous session, it had non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to the House petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1523) of the chairman of the board of selectmen of the town of Falmouth that the name of Deacon's Pond Harbor in said town be changed to Falmouth Inner Harbor. Falmouth, —
Deacon's Pond
Harbor.

There being no objection, this motion was entertained; and it prevailed. On the recurring question, the rule was suspended, in concurrence, and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Beck moved that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had passed to be engrossed, as amended, the Senate Bill to extend the time for filing returns of taxable property by foreign corporations (Senate, No. 388); and the further consideration of this motion was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of the same Senator. Foreign
corporations,
— filing of
returns.

Petitions.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows:—

By Mr. Halliwell, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 439) of John Halliwell relative to the recording of votes in towns; and Towns, —
recording
of votes.

By the same Senator, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 440) of John Halliwell that the acts of certain towns be validated; Towns, —
validation
of acts.

Severally, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved, in each instance, by Mr. Halliwell, to the committee on Towns.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Dahlborg, —

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Public Institutions is authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the Leper Colony at Penikese Island be extended to April 11. Committee on
Public Institu-
tions, —
travel.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill to establish the Commission on Foreign and Domestic Commerce (House, No. 1544, — on so much of the Governor's Address, Senate, No. 1, as relates to the port of Boston); and Commission
on Foreign
and Domestic
Commerce.

Resolves

James V.
Hennessey of
Concord.

Providing for the payment of a sum of money to James V. Hennessey of Concord (House, No. 1529, — on the petition of John R. Hudson, accompanied by resolve, House, No. 666); and

Belle Isle
Inlet, —
improvement.

Directing the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands to estimate the cost of making certain improvements in Belle Isle Inlet (House, No. 1532, amended, — on the petition of Michael F. Shaw and others, accompanied by bill, House, No. 750);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills

District police,
— special
officers.

To provide for the appointment of special district police officers (House, No. 1172, — on the recommendations of the Massachusetts Bureau of Prisons, House, No. 1165, in part); and

Gas and elec-
tric companies,
— contracts.

Relative to contracts between gas and electric companies (House, No. 1531, — on the recommendations of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, House, No. 350, in part, see House, No. 356);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Reports

Taunton, —
revision of
city charter.

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1296) of Matthew A. Higgins for a revision of the charter of the city of Taunton;

Foreign insur-
ance branches,
— assets.

Of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 751) of Harold J. Taylor relative to the assets of United States branches of foreign insurance companies;

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw:

State insur-
ance system,
— special
commission.

On the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 753) of William I. Schell for the appointment of a special commission to recommend a system of State insurance; and

Life insurance
policies; losses
by fire.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 932) of James Lamont Pugh relative to policies of life insurance and to the prevention of losses by fire;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw:

Checks, drafts
or orders, —
fraudulent use.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 29) of Augustus P. Loring relative to the drawing and passing of fraudulent checks, drafts and orders (Mr. Loring, of the Senate, dissenting); and

Id.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 754) of Edward S. Underwood that obtaining money or property by fraudulent check, draft or order be made a criminal offence (Mr. Loring, of the Senate, dissenting);

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw:

Co-Workers'
Fraternity
Company.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 230) of Hiram Vrooman that the Co-Workers' Fraternity Company, dissolved by chapter 157 of the Special Acts of 1917, be continued as a body corporate; and

Coal, —
regulation
of quality.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 784) of Frank Mulveny for the fixing by the Commissioner of Standards of standards of quality of coal sold within the Commonwealth;

Of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the recommendations of the Massachusetts Bureau of Prisons (House, No. 1165) as relates to the treatment of communicable diseases in State institutions (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1176);

State institutions, — treatment of communicable diseases.

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 170) of Alfred B. Williams that assessors be required to give a hearing on their intention to raise the valuation of real estate; and

Assessors, — hearings on increasing valuation of real estate.

Of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 97) of Albert P. Wadleigh relative to the incorporation of new towns and to procedure for the division of existing towns; and

Towns, — procedure in incorporation and division.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1345) of Peter I. Adams and others for the periodical publication of itemized reports by assessors in towns;

Town assessors, — publication of reports.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Notice was received from the House that the Resolutions relative to men in Class 1-A not inducted into the military service of the United States (House, No. 1021), — had been rejected by the House.

Men in Class 1-A not inducted into military service.

A communication from the Auditor of the Commonwealth, submitting a report of the expenses incurred by the various committees of the General Court for publishing advertisements of hearings before them to April 1 (House, No. 1547), — was read and placed on file.

Legislative committees, — expense of advertising hearings.

Emergency Preamble Adopted.

An engrossed Bill to enable the Commonwealth to secure Federal aid in the construction of highways (see House, No. 1478), was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was taken by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

Construction of State highways, — Federal aid.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 28.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
 Chamberlain, George D.
 Curran, George E.
 Curtin, John A.
 Eames, Edward B.
 Hastings, George A.

Messrs. McIntosh, David S.
 Nason, Arthur L.
 Perrin, Harold L.
 Smith, Charles S.
 Tarbell, Warren E. — 11.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.
 Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

Bills enacted
 and laid before
 the Governor.

Changing the penalty provided for the protection of certain game;

To enable certain cities and towns to meet their obligations relative to certain bridge expenses;

To dispense with the production of witnesses in order to establish the right to assessment for a poll-tax or to registration as a voter;

Relative to the reserves of trust companies;

Relative to the display of the flag on school-houses;

Relative to local collectors of insurance companies;

Relative to the definition of insurance agent or broker;

To incorporate the Swan Lake Cemetery Association in the town of Dennis;

To validate the current annual town-meeting of the town of Marshfield;

To authorize the town of Wakefield to borrow money for new school buildings;

To forbid the payment of compensation to unlicensed insurance agents or brokers;

To authorize the city of Boston to pay an annuity to the widow of Charles E. Deininger;

To enable certain pensioners and annuitants to receive the emoluments of elective office;

To provide for the widening of L Street in the South Boston District of the city of Boston; and

To provide for the maintenance of Bunker Hill Monument by the Commonwealth, under the control of the Metropolitan Park Commission.

Resolve
 passed, etc.

An engrossed Resolve to extend the time within which the commissioners for consolidating and arranging the general laws of the Commonwealth are required to make their final report (which originated in the Senate), — was passed and, with the above-named bills, was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Report of the committee on Social Welfare, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 130) of Peter F. Sullivan that preference based on war service be established in the assignment of homesteads and land by the Homestead Commission, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Wednesday, on motion of Mr. Sullivan.

*Homesteads,
— preference
for soldiers
and sailors.*

The House Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 807) of Bernard I. McManus that the salary of the accountant in the department of the Supervisor of Loan Agencies be established, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Wednesday, on motion of Mr. Halliwell.

*Supervisor of
Loan Agencies,
— salary of
accountant.*

The House Bill making an appropriation for suppressing the European corn-borer, so called (House, No. 1513), — was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence.

*Appropriation,
— European
corn-borer.*

The pending amendment, previously moved by Mr. Colburn, — striking out, in line 6, the word "Commissioner", and inserting in place thereof the word "Department", — was amended, on motion of the same Senator, by striking out the word "word" (before the word "Department"), and inserting in place thereof the words "words 'State'".

The amendment, as amended, was then adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of Mr. Colburn.

The bills

Relative to the department of the Treasurer and Receiver-General (printed as House, No. 425);

Relative to the amount of insurance which savings and insurance banks may pay upon the death of the insured (printed as House, No. 472);

To provide for the appointment of an inspector of fresh fish (printed as House, No. 892);

To enlarge the powers and duties of the State Drainage Board (printed in House, No. 234);

Relative to the suspension or revocation of innholders' and common victuallers' licenses (House, No. 339);

To establish Commissioners on Uniform State Laws (House, No. 431, amended);

Relative to Dry Dock Avenue in the South Boston district of the city of Boston (House, No. 435, amended);

Bills.

Relative to sessions of the Superior Court in the city of Lynn for naturalization purposes (House, No. 479, changed);

To provide for a record of Massachusetts soldiers and sailors in the present war (House, No. 1434); and

Relative to reinstatement of soldiers and sailors in county retirement systems for employees (House, No. 1436);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Senate bills.

The Senate bills

To establish the Soldiers' and Sailors' Commission (Senate, No. 426, amended); and

To authorize the town of West Stockbridge to incur indebtedness for certain purposes (Senate, No. 430);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

**Boston, —
height of
buildings.**

The Senate Bill relative to the height of buildings in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 427), — was read a third time, as previously amended. On motion of Mr. Reed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session.

House bill.

The House Bill to extend the powers of burglary insurance companies (House, No. 389), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Senate report.

The Senate Report of the joint committee on Rules, no legislation necessary, on the report of the Supervisor of Administration, in response to an order adopted by the Senate, relative to delay in the printing of bills and other documents (Senate, No. 376), — was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

House reports.

The House reports

Of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 744) of Wilbur F. Adams and others for legislation relative to the position of names of candidates on the official ballot;

Of the committee on Federal Relations, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 927) of Carlton W. Wonson for a convention of delegates from all the New England States to consider the conservation and utilization of the water-power of said States; and

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1065) of James J. Mulvey that assignments of more than half the wages of any person be made invalid;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

**Life insurance
policies, —
reserve.**

The House Report of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 596) of George Bunting relative to the reserve to be carried on life insurance policies, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. McLane.

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 100) of Charles Carroll King and others that the office of district attorney, assistant district attorney and probation officer be established in each of the counties of Plymouth and Norfolk, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Dahlborg.

Plymouth and Norfolk counties, — separate district attorneys and probation officers.

The House Report of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 49) of the Medical Liberty League, Inc., that the compulsory vaccination law be repealed, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Jackson.

Compulsory vaccination, — abolition.

On motion of Mr. Counihan, at fifteen minutes past twelve o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, April 7, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

State land in
Westminster,
— conveyance
to Boston and
Maine
Railroad.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill to authorize the conveyance of certain land of the Commonwealth in the town of Westminster (House, No. 976); and

Charles River,
— pollution.

The House resolves

Providing for a report by the State Department of Health relative to the pollution of the Charles River (House, No. 1525); and

Belle Isle
Inlet, —
improvements.

Directing the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands to estimate the cost of making certain improvements in Belle Isle Inlet (House, No. 1532, amended), — severally, ought to pass; and

Commission
on Foreign
and Domestic
Commerce.

By Mr. McLane, for the same committee, that the House Bill to establish the Commission on Foreign and Domestic Commerce (House, No. 1544), ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Janitors of
public school
buildings, —
retirement.

By Mr. Kearney, for the committee on Social Welfare, on the recommitment petitions of George D. Chamberlain (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 209); and of Joseph E. Freeling (accompanied by bill, House, No. 90), a Bill relative to the retirement of janitors of public school buildings in certain cities and towns (printed as House, No. 90);

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Bill Ordered Reprinted.

Women and
children, —
hours of
employment.

On motion of Mr. Halliwell, —

Voted, That Senate Bill relative to the hours of employment of women and children (Senate, No. 16), be reprinted.

Taken from the Table.

Theatrical
licenses.

On motion of Mr. Reed, the Senate Report of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 624) of Philip J. Feinberg relative to theatrical licenses, — was taken from the table; and the report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of the same Senator, the Senate Report of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 772) of Frank W. Thayer for legislation relative to theatres and places of public amusement, — was taken from the table; and the report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill relative to the bonds required of certain officials and employees of the Commonwealth (House, 1528, — on the petition of B. L. Young, accompanied by bill, House, No. 986), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills

Authorizing the city of Holyoke to pay a sum of money to the widow of Michael H. Gilligan (printed as Senate, No. 385, — on the petition of the finance committee of the board of aldermen of said city);

Authorizing the city of Holyoke to pay a sum of money to the next of kin of William J. Mays (printed as Senate, No. 386, — on the petition of the finance committee of the board of aldermen of said city);

Relative to fire and life insurance policies issued in violation of law (House, No. 372, changed, — on the recommendations of the Insurance Commissioner, House, No. 362, in part);

Authorizing the city of Medford to retire and pension George D. Cummings (House, No. 1476, changed, — on the petition of Fred J. Burrell);

To authorize the town of Athol to borrow money for the purpose of erecting a town hall (House, No. 1477, on the petition of Clarence D. Hamilton);

To authorize the town of Rockland to pension Thomas F. Kendrigan (House, No. 1480, on the petition of Bart. J. Fitzgerald and another);

To authorize the city of Boston to pay an annuity to the widow of Thomas H. Lynch (House, No. 1498, on the petition of William H. McDonnell);

Relative to death benefits of the Boston Police Relief Association (House, No. 1501, on the petition of George W. A. Dawson and another);

To provide for the erection and maintenance of a public building in the city of Lowell in memory of soldiers and sailors (House, No. 1530, amended, — on the petition of Perry D. Thompson, mayor, and others, accompanied by bill, House, No. 966);

To authorize the First Parish Church in Dorchester to convey its property to the First Parish in Dorchester (House, No. 1536, — on the petition of N. Winthrop Robinson and another, accompanied by bill, House, No. 779); and

Theatres, etc.

State officials and employees, — bonds.

Holyoke, — widow of Michael H. Gilligan.

Holyoke, — next of kin of William J. Mays.

Insurance policies, — violation of law.

Medford, — pensioning of George D. Cummings.

Athol, — indebtedness for a town hall.

Rockland, — pensioning of Thomas F. Kendrigan.

Boston, — widow of Thomas H. Lynch.

Boston Police Relief Association, — death benefits.

Lowell, — memorial auditorium for soldiers and sailors.

First Parish Church in Dorchester, — conveyance of property.

Pittsfield, —
salary of the
mayor.

To establish the salary of the mayor of the city of Pittsfield (House, No. 1550, — on the petition of Manson R. White and others, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1408);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Reports

Bank Com-
missioner, —
recommendations.

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, no further legislation necessary, on the recommendations of the Bank Commissioner (House, No. 331) (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 332 to 337, inclusive); and

Life and in-
vestment in-
surance, —
separation.

Of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 473) of Fred S. Elwell relative to the separation of life and investment insurance (Messrs. Curtin and Callahan, of the Senate, and Messrs. French, Hamburger, Bearer and Oberti, of the House, dissenting);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Boston, —
employees of
election
department.

Notice was received from the House that the Bill to place the employees of the election department of the city of Boston under civil service rules (House, No. 216), had been referred, by the House, to the next General Court.

Lowell Textile
School.

The annual report of the trustees of the Lowell Textile School (House, No. 1383), — was referred to the committee on Education.

Bill Enacted.

Bill enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

The engrossed Bill relative to the operation of motor-vehicles (which originated in the Senate), was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Boston, —
height of
buildings.

The Senate Bill relative to the height of buildings in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 427), — was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed, as previously amended.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the bill was amended in section 1, by inserting, in line 34, the word "signs," which had been previously stricken out by amendment.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Life insurance
companies, —
reserve.

The House Report of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 596) of George Bunting relative to the reserve to be carried on life insurance policies, — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

Mr. Beck moved that the report be amended by substituting a "Bill relative to the reserve to be carried on life insurance policies" (Senate, No. 441).

Pending this amendment and pending the main question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of the same Senator.

The Senate Bill relative to the fees for sealing weights and measures (Senate, No. 438), — was read a second time. Weights and measures, — fees for sealing.

On motion of Mr. Beck, the bill was amended by striking out all after the word "following", in line 3, and inserting in place thereof the following:

"Sealers of weights and measures shall receive the following fees for sealing all scales with a weighing capacity of one hundred to five thousand pounds, fifty cents; with a capacity of over five thousand pounds, one dollar; for all other scales, balances and measures on pumps, ten cents each; for all measures and weights, three cents each. They shall also have a reasonable compensation for all necessary repairs, alterations and adjustments."

Mr. Kearney moved that the bill be amended by inserting after the word "measures", in line 4, the words "including the county treasurers"; and also by adding the following new section: "SECTION 2. Such fees shall be paid into the treasuries of cities and towns."

These amendments were rejected, by a vote of 8 to 20.

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relative to the admission of children under sixteen years of age to places of amusement (printed as House, No. 997), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Weston, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday. Places of amusement, — admission of children.

The Bill to prohibit the exhibition of motion pictures on the Lord's Day in theatres or other places of public amusement (printed as House, No. 1070, changed), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Tarbell, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Friday. Lord's Day, — motion pictures.

The bills

To extend the provisions of law relative to the retirement of county employees to the employees of the Worcester County Law Library Association (House, No. 829); Bills.

To provide for the appointment of special district police officers (House, No. 1172);

To provide for the operation and sale of the State farm machinery by the State Department of Agriculture (House, No. 1447, amended); and

Relative to contracts between gas and electric companies (House, No. 1531);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill relative to the employment of persons in the institutional service of the Commonwealth (printed as House, No. 396), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that State institutions, — appointment of employees.

the bill be amended by substituting a new draft entitled: "An Act regulating the appointment of employees in institutions controlled by the Commission on Mental Diseases" (Senate, No. 442).

This amendment was adopted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 442), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Senate bill.

The Senate Bill relative to the department of the Treasurer and Receiver-General (printed as House, No. 425), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Savings and insurance banks, — amount payable upon death.

The Senate Bill relative to the amount of insurance which savings and insurance banks may pay upon the death of the insured (printed as House, No. 472), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out section 2.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Boston, — buildings.

The Senate Bill relative to the inspection of buildings in the city of Boston (printed as House, No. 1078) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time. On motion of Mr. Smith, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session.

Soldiers, sailors and marines, — observance of return.

The Senate Resolve to provide for the proper observance throughout the Commonwealth of the return of Massachusetts soldiers, sailors and marines (Senate, No. 316), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the resolve be amended by substituting a new draft in the form of a bill with the same title (Senate, No. 443).

This amendment was adopted.

Under the rule, the resolve, as amended by the substitution of the bill (Senate, No. 443), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

House bills.

The House bills

To enlarge the powers and duties of the State Drainage Board (printed in House, No. 234);

Relative to the suspension or revocation of innholders' and common victuallers' licenses (House, No. 339);

Relative to sessions of the Superior Court in the city of Lynn for naturalization purposes (House, No. 479, changed);

To provide for the further regulation of collection agencies (House, No. 1061, changed) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

To provide for a record of Massachusetts soldiers and sailors in the present war (House, No. 1434);

Relative to reinstatement of soldiers and sailors in county retirement systems for employees (House, No. 1436);

Authorizing the city of Quincy to establish a hospital (House, No. 1438, changed); and

Relative to proof of death upon certain petitions for administration (House, No. 1518);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Bill relative to Dry Dock Avenue in the South Boston district of the city of Boston (House, No. 435, amended), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out section 2.

Boston. — Dry Dock Avenue.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 337) of Francis H. Lincoln and another relative to the operation of the cinematograph or any similar apparatus;

Senate reports.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 634) of Philip J. Feinberg for regulation of the sale of tickets of admission to theatres and other places of amusement;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1225) of John P. Englert and others relative to the sale of theatre tickets;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1318) of Edward A. Scigliano relative to the use of tanks or containers for the storage of fluids or gases; and

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1396) of David S. Beyer relative to the use of cinematographs and similar apparatus;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 29) of Augustus P. Loring relative to the drawing and passing of fraudulent checks, drafts and orders, — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

Fraudulent checks and drafts.

Mr. Loring moved that the report be amended by substituting a "Bill relative to the drawing and passing of fraudulent checks, drafts and orders" (Senate, No. 29).

Pending this amendment and pending the main question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Beck.

Fraudulent
checks and
drafts.

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 754) of Edward S. Underwood that obtaining money or property by fraudulent check, draft or order be made a criminal offence, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Beck.

State
institutions, —
treatment of
communicable
diseases.

The House Report of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the recommendations of the Massachusetts Bureau of Prisons (House, No. 1165) as relates to the treatment of communicable diseases in State institutions (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1176), — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of Mr. Chamberlain.

Towns, —
itemized
reports by
assessors.

The House Report of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1345) of Peter I. Adams and others for the periodical publication of itemized reports by assessors in towns, — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, the report was amended by substituting a "Bill to require the periodical publication of itemized reports by assessors in towns" (printed as House, No. 1345); and the bill was read and, under the rule, was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

House
reports.

The House reports

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1296) of Matthew A. Higgins for a revision of the charter of the city of Taunton;

Of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 751) of Harold J. Taylor relative to the assets of United States branches of foreign insurance companies;

Of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 753) of William I. Schell for the appointment of a special commission to recommend a system of State insurance;

Of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 932) of James Lamont Pugh relative to policies of life insurance and to the prevention of losses by fire;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 230) of Hiram Vrooman that the Co-Workers' Fraternity Company, dissolved by chapter 157 of the Special Acts of 1917, be continued as a body corporate;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 784) of Frank

Mulveny for the fixing by the Commissioner of Standards of quality of coal sold within the Commonwealth;

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 170) of Alfred B. Williams that assessors be required to give a hearing on their intention to raise the valuation of real estate; and

Of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 97) of Albert P. Wadleigh relative to the incorporation of new towns and to procedure for the division of existing towns;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. McIntosh, at twenty minutes past three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, April 8, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*Suffolk
County, —
court officer
for Land Court.

By Mr. Curran, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill relative to the compensation of the court officer for the Land Court for the county of Suffolk (Senate, No. 13, changed), ought to pass;

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

State employ-
ees in military
or naval
service, —
compensation.

By Mr. Hardy of Worcester, for the committee on Military Affairs, on the petitions of Joseph O. Knox (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 9); and of John M. Gibbs (accompanied by bill, House, No. 496), a Bill relative to the compensation of employees of the Commonwealth who served during the European war in the military or naval service of the United States (Senate, No. 444);

Suffolk
County, —
clerical assist-
ance for register
of probate and
insolvency.

By Mr. Perrin, for the committee on Public Service, on the petition of Arthur W. Dolan, a Bill to provide for additional clerical assistance for the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Suffolk (Senate, No. 51); and

General Court,
— mileage.

By Mr. Loring, for the same committee, on the petition of Fitz-Henry Smith, Jr., and others (accompanied by bill, House, No. 530), a Bill to regulate the mileage allowance of members of the General Court (Senate, No. 445);

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Dartmouth, —
water loan.

By Mr. Halliwell, for the committee on Municipal Finance, on the petition of Herbert Wing and others, a Bill to authorize the town of Dartmouth to make an additional water loan (Senate, No. 411);

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Feeble-minded
persons, —
supervision
and control.

By Mr. Dahlborg, for the committee on Public Institutions, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the recommendations of the Commission on Mental Diseases (House, No. 392) as relates to providing further supervision, care and control of the neglected, dangerous or uncontrolled feeble-minded persons in the community (see House, No. 394);

Commission
on Mental
Diseases, —
taking of prop-
erty by emi-
nent domain.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the recommendations of the Commission on Mental Diseases (House, No. 392) as relates to authorizing the said Commission to take real property by eminent domain (see House, No. 395);

By the same Senator, for the same committee, no legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the Massachusetts Bureau of Prisons (House, No. 1165) as relates to providing for the extension of the system of identification of criminals (see House, No. 1171);

Criminals, —
identification.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the recommendations of the Massachusetts Bureau of Prisons (House, No. 1165) as relates to providing for the compensation of inmates of the State Prison, the Massachusetts Reformatory, the Reformatory for Women and the Prison Camp and Hospital (see House, No. 1175); and

Certain
prisoners, —
compensation.

By Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, for the committee on Roads and Bridges, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 14) of George A. Hastings that the Massachusetts Highway Commission be authorized to keep certain highways on main through routes passable for motor-vehicles during the winter months (Mr. Colburn, of the Senate, and Messrs. Emery, Tower and White, of the House, dissenting);

State high-
ways, — pass-
able for motor-
vehicles during
winter months.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the the Day for next session.

Committee Discharged.

Mr. Colburn, for the committee on Roads and Bridges, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the following Senate Order, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, to wit:

Ordered, That the Massachusetts Highway Commission be requested to prepare an estimate of the cost of constructing that portion of the proposed Pilgrim Highway, so designated in plans on file with the Pilgrim Tercentenary Commission, running from Atlantic to the Fore River bridge, and to accompany said estimate with such recommendations as may seem advisable, reporting to the current session of the General Court not later than the fifteenth day of April, nineteen hundred and nineteen.

Pilgrim
Highway.

The report was read and accepted.

Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, for the committee on Roads and Bridges, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of so much of the report of the Special Commission on Motor-Vehicles (House, No. 1450) as relates to regulating the purchase and sale of second-hand motor-vehicles and parts thereof, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Legal Affairs.

Second-hand
motor-vehicles,
— purchase
and sale.

The report was read and accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Orders Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Churchill, —

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Education is authorized to travel in the city of Boston be extended to April 25.

Committee on
Education, —
travel.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Beck offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —

Joint committees, —
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which joint committees are required, under the provisions of the 10th joint rule, to make final report upon all matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended to Wednesday, April 16.

Subsequently, the same Senator, for the joint committee on Rules, reported that the order ought to be adopted; and it was considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, further moved by Mr. Beck, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Clerks of
courts, —
travelling
expenses.

To regulate the travelling expenses of clerks and assistant clerks of courts (House, No. 1115, on the petition of Harold F. Hathaway); and

Medway, —
books and
documents.

Directing the Secretary of the Commonwealth to furnish certain books and documents to the town of Medway (House, No. 1537, — on the petition of William W. Ollendorff, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1440);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills

Plymouth
County, —
sittings of the
Superior Court
at Brockton.

To change the time for the May term for civil business of the Superior Court for the county of Plymouth, sitting in Brockton (House, No. 597, on the petition of Richard W. Nutter and others);

Middlebor-
ough, — prop-
erties of the
Middlebor-
ough Fire
District.

To authorize the town of Middleborough to take over the properties and liabilities of the Middleborough Fire District (House, No. 1485, on the petition of William M. Haskins and others);

Reinsurance;
amount on
any one risk.

Relative to reinsurance and to the amount that may be written on any one risk (House, No. 1539, — on the recommendations of the Insurance Commissioner, House, No. 362, in part, see House, No. 363);

Gas and elec-
tric companies,
— extensions
of charters.

Relative to extensions of the charters of gas and electric companies (House, No. 1540, — on the recommendations of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, House, No. 350, in part, see House, No. 355); and

Returning
soldiers and
sailors, —
civil service
laws.

To suspend the civil service laws and regulations in favor of returning soldiers and sailors (House, No. 1543, amended, — new draft of Senate Bill No. 310);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Reports

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw:

Public service
corporations,
— trustees and
receivers.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 64) of Benjamin C. Lane that stockholders may cause public service corporations to be placed in the hands of trustees or receivers;

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 622) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to the fees of police, district and municipal courts, clerks of courts, registers of deeds, recorder and assistant recorders of the Land Court and registers of probate and insolvency; Court officials, registers of deeds and of probate and recorders of the Land Court, — fees.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1058) of Edward J. Cox relative to loans made by money-lenders; and Money-lenders, — loans.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1221) of James J. Mulvey for an investigation of abuses in connection with the sale of goods on the installment plan; Merchandise, — installment sales.

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 793) of George C. Fitzpatrick for compensation for the taking of land for the Jeffries Point improvement in East Boston; George C. Fitzpatrick, — land in East Boston.

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 679) of Timothy J. Driscoll relative to compensating George Fletcher for loss of wages sustained by him as a result of an accident while employed as a special officer of the district police; George Fletcher, — loss of wages.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 804) of L. F. Hanson that the salary of the special agent of the Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions be established (Mr. Hinckley, of the House, dissenting); and Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions, — salary of special agent.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1118) of John I. Fitzgerald relative to the removal, suspension or reduction of persons in the classified civil service of the city of Boston; Boston, — civil service removals, suspensions and reductions.

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 689) of Frank L. Dean relative to appointments, classifications and salaries in the department of the Controller of County Accounts; Controller of County Accounts, — salaries, etc.

Of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the abstract of the fifth annual report of the Public Service Commission (Pub. Doc. No. 14) relating to railroad corporations (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 1138 and 1139) as relates to the location of tracks by railroads for the transportation of freight to and from manufacturing or other industries (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1139); Railroad corporations, — tracks to manufacturing plants.

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 133) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to the distribution of the additional legacy and succession tax; Additional legacy and succession tax, — distribution.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 325) of Edwin T. McKnight that the estates of persons who have died in the military or naval service of the United States be exempt from the provisions of the law imposing inheritance and succession taxes; and Estates of deceased soldiers and sailors, — taxation.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1397) of Id. Charles F. Rowley that the estates of soldiers and sailors who die in service during the present war be exempt from legacy and succession taxes; and

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 95) of Frederic Taxes, — sale of real estate.

C. Nichols relative to the payment of taxes and to sales of real estate for non-payment thereof;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Notice was received from the House that the following Senate bill and resolve had severally been rejected by the House:—

Boston, —
Improvements
in North End.
Hospitals, —
educational
work.

Bill to provide for improvements in the North End of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 373, amended); and

Resolve to provide for an investigation relative to educational work in the hospitals of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 384).

Legislative
committees, —
travelling
expenses.

A communication from the Sergeant-at-Arms, transmitting a statement (required by the 3rd joint rule) of all bills presented to the Auditor of the Commonwealth during the month of March for the travelling expenses of committees of the General Court (House, No. 1563), — was read and placed on file.

Committee on
Public Institu-
tions, —
travel.

The Senate Order that the time within which the committee on Public Institutions is authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the Leper Colony at Penikese Island be extended to April 11, — came up, adopted, in concurrence, with amendments inserting after the word "duties," the words "the Massachusetts Hospital School at Canton, the Medfield State Hospital, the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded at Waltham and"; and striking out "April 11", and inserting in place thereof "April 18".

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Dahlborg, and the amendments were considered forthwith and were adopted, in concurrence.

Committee on
Legal Affairs,
— travel.

The following House orders were adopted, in concurrence:—

Ordered, That the committee on Legal Affairs be authorized to travel, in the discharge of its duties, to the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded, on or before Tuesday, April 8.

Committee on
Public Service,
— travel.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service be authorized to travel, in the discharge of its duties, in the city of Boston, on Tuesday, April 8.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit:—

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To authorize the Berkshire Street Railway Company to sell and transmit electricity for certain purposes;

Relative to the maximum pension payable to retired school janitors or attendance officers in the city of Boston;

To authorize the city of Haverhill to pay a sum of money to certain members of the State Guard for services rendered;

Relative to the sale of coke, charcoal and kindling-wood;

To authorize the town of Athol to acquire land for school purposes;

Modifying certain standard provisions relating to accident and health policies;

To enable the Commonwealth to secure Federal aid in the construction of highways;

To authorize the Board of Trustees of Gordon Bible College to grant certain degrees;

Relative to the status of certain surety bonds and of the companies issuing the same;

To authorize the Emerson College of Oratory to grant the degree of bachelor of literary interpretation;

To require the Civil Service Commission to notify persons taking a civil service examination of the result of their examination; and

Relative to reinstatement in the retirement system for employees of the Commonwealth of persons in the military or naval service of the United States.

An engrossed Resolve relative to the appropriation for the improvement of Beverly Harbor (which originated in the House), — was passed and, with the above-named bills, was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Resolve passed, etc

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Report of the committee on Water Supply, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 843) of Roscoe Walsworth and another that the city of Revere be authorized to discontinue supplying water to the town of Saugus, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Friday, on motion of Mr. Beck.

Revere, — water supply for Saugus,

The Senate Report of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 194) of Charles F. Bowers and another relative to the kinds of business that may be transacted by mutual fire insurance companies, — was considered, the question being on accepting it.

Mutual fire insurance companies.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the report was amended by substituting a "Bill to grant to mutual fire insurance companies chartered by the Commonwealth equal opportunities as are now granted by the Commonwealth to stock fire insurance companies of other States and countries" (printed as House, No. 194); and the bill was read and, under the rule, was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

The Senate Report of the committee on Federal Relations, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by resolutions, Senate, No. 255) of Silas D. Reed for legislation to promote universal compulsory military training, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Friday, on motion of Mr. Reed.

Universal compulsory military training.

The Senate bills

Regulating the appointment of employees in institutions controlled by the Commission on Mental Diseases (Senate, No. 442);

State institutions, — appointment of employees.

Soldiers, sailors
and marines, —
observance
of return.
Boston, —
buildings.

To provide for the proper observance throughout the Commonwealth of the return of Massachusetts soldiers, sailors and marines (Senate, No. 443); and

Relative to the inspection of buildings in the city of Boston (printed as House, No. 1078);

Were severally passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Life insurance
companies, —
reserve.

The House Report of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 596) of George Bunting relative to the reserve to be carried on life insurance policies, — was considered, the main question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

The Senate adopted the pending amendment, previously moved by Mr. Beck, — that a "Bill relative to the reserve to be carried on life insurance policies" (Senate, No. 441), be substituted; and, accordingly, the bill was substituted; and it was read and, under the rule, was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Plymouth and
Norfolk coun-
ties, — separate
district attor-
neys and pro-
bation officers.

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 100) of Charles Carroll King and others that the office of district attorney, assistant district attorney and probation officer be established in each of the counties of Plymouth and Norfolk, — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

Mr. Dahlborg moved that the report be amended by substituting a "Bill to establish the offices of district attorney, assistant district attorney and probation officer in each of the counties of Plymouth and Norfolk" (Senate, No. 100); and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Callahan, Edward
Cronin, John
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Mahoney, John J.

Messrs. Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 15.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Cavanagh, James F.
Curtin, John A.
Finkel, Samuel B.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Loring, Augustus P.
Smith, Charles S. — 9.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. Arthur W. Colburn,
Mr. Walter A. Hardy,

NAYS.

Mr. Edward A. Counihan, Jr. (present).
Mr. Walter E. McLane (present). — 4.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Curran, George E.
Eames, Edward B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
McIntosh, David S.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Tarbell, Warren E. — 11.

So the amendment was adopted; and, accordingly, the bill was substituted; and it was read and, under the rule, was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

The House Report of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 49) of the Medical Liberty League, Inc., that the compulsory vaccination law be repealed, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Knox. Compulsory vaccination, — abolition.

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 29) of Augustus P. Loring relative to the drawing and passing of fraudulent checks, drafts and orders, — was considered, the main question being on accepting it, in concurrence. Fraudulent checks and drafts.

The Senate adopted the pending amendment, previously moved by Mr. Loring, — that a "Bill relative to the drawing and passing of fraudulent checks, drafts and orders" (Senate, No. 29), be substituted; and, accordingly, the bill was substituted; and it was read and, under the rule, was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, ^{Id.} leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 754) of Edward S. Underwood that obtaining money or property by fraudulent check, draft or order be made a criminal offence, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Loring.

The motion that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at a previous session, it had passed to be engrossed the Senate Bill to extend the time for filing returns of taxable property by foreign corporations (Senate, No. 388, amended), — was considered; and the question thereon was determined as follows, to wit: — Foreign corporations, — returns of taxable property.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Cavanagh, James F.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.

Messrs. Halliwell, John
Kearney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 12.

NAYS.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Curtin, John A.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.

Messrs. McIntosh, David S.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 15.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. John J. Mahoney (present),
Mr. William J. Foley (present),
Mr. Edward B. Eames,
Mr. Augustus P. Loring,

NAYS.

Mr. Harold L. Perrin.
Mr. Charles L. Gifford.
Mr. Joseph O. Knox (present).
Mr. Edward Callahan (present). — 8.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Colburn, Arthur W.
Hardy, Leonard F.

Messrs. Hardy, Walter A.
Sullivan, Peter F. — 4.

So the motion to reconsider was negatived.

The bill (see Senate, No. 447) was sent down for concurrence.

The bills

Bills.

Relative to the retirement of janitors of public school buildings in certain cities and towns (printed as House, No. 90);

To require the periodical publication of itemized reports by assessors in towns (printed as House, No. 1345);

Authorizing the city of Holyoke to pay a sum of money to the widow of Michael H. Gilligan (printed as Senate, No. 385);

Authorizing the city of Holyoke to pay a sum of money to the next of kin of William J. Mays (printed as Senate, No. 386);

Relative to fire and life insurance policies issued in violation of law (House, No. 372, changed);

To authorize the conveyance of certain land of the Commonwealth in the town of Westminster (House, No. 976, changed);

Authorizing the city of Medford to retire and pension George D. Cummings (House, No. 1476, changed);

To authorize the town of Athol to borrow money for the purpose of erecting a town hall (House, No. 1477);

To authorize the town of Rockland to pension Thomas F. Kendrigan (House, No. 1480);

To authorize the city of Boston to pay an annuity to the widow of Thomas H. Lynch (House, No. 1498);

Relative to death benefits of the Boston Police Relief Association (House, No. 1501);

To provide for the erection and maintenance of a public building in the city of Lowell in memory of soldiers and sailors (House, No. 1530, amended);

To authorize the First Parish Church in Dorchester to convey its property to the First Parish in Dorchester (House, No. 1536); and

To establish the Commission on Foreign and Domestic Commerce (House, No. 1544); and

The resolves

Providing for a report by the State Department of Health relative to the pollution of the Charles River (House, No. 1525); and Resolves.

Directing the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands to estimate the cost of making certain improvements in Belle Isle Inlet (House, No. 1532);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to establish the salary of the mayor of the city of Pittsfield, — (House, No. 1550), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Hastings, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday. Pittsfield, — salary of mayor.

The Senate Bill in amendment of the laws relative to primaries, caucuses, and elections (Senate, No. 360), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 25, by inserting after the word "city", in line 10, the words "by striking out the words 'one year', in the thirteenth line, and inserting in place thereof the words 'two years'"; by striking out, in line 28, the words "one year", and inserting in place thereof the words "two years". Primaries, caucuses and elections.

These amendments were adopted.

Mr. Nason moved that the bill be further amended as follows:

In section 19, by striking out, in lines 7 and 11, respectively, the word "twenty", and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the word "twenty-two"; and by striking out, in lines 9 and 12, respectively, the word "fourth", and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the word "sixth";

In section 20, by striking out, in lines 7 and 8, and in line 12, respectively, the word "twenty-two", and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the word "twenty-four"; and by striking out, in lines 9 and 12, respectively, the word "fourth", and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the word "sixth";

In section 21, by striking out, in lines 7 and 11, respectively, the word "twenty", and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the word "twenty-two"; and by striking out, in lines 9 and 12, respectively, the word "fourth", and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the word "sixth";

In section 23, by striking out, in lines 9 and 12, respectively, the word "fourth", and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the word "sixth";

In section 24, by striking out, in lines 10 and 14, respectively, the word "twenty-two", and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the word "twenty-four"; and by striking out, in lines 12 and 15, respectively, the word "fourth", and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the word "sixth"; and

In section 26, by striking out, in lines 10, 11 and 12, the words "sheriffs, registers of deeds, clerks of courts, registers of probate and insolvency, county treasurers"; and by inserting after the

word "years", in line 14, the words "and sheriffs, registers of deeds, clerks of courts, registers of probate and insolvency and county treasurers for six years".

Pending these amendments, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, as amended, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on further motion of Mr. Nason.

Weights and
measures, —
fees of
sealers.

The Senate Bill relative to the fees for sealing weights and measures (Senate, No. 438), — was read a third time, as previously amended. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft entitled: "An Act regulating the fees receivable by sealers of weights and measures" (Senate, No. 446).

This amendment was adopted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 446), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

House bills.

The House bills

To extend the provisions of law relative to the retirement of county employees to the employees of the Worcester County Law Library Association (House, No. 829); and

To provide for the appointment of special district police officers (House, No. 1172);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Farm
machinery.

The House Bill to provide for the operation and sale of certain farm machinery by the State Department of Agriculture (House, No. 1447, amended) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time. On motion of Mr. Chamberlain, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session.

Dances.

The House Bill for the further regulation of public and private dances (House, No. 1515), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be recommitted to the committee on Social Welfare.

The 5th joint rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Coughlin, and the bill was recommitted, as had been recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the 5th joint rule.

House report.

The House Report of the committee on Banks and Banking, no further legislation necessary, on the recommendations of the Bank Commissioner (House, No. 331) (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 332 to 337, inclusive), — was accepted, in concurrence.

The House Report of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 473) of Fred S. Elwell relative to the separation of life and investment insurance, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Friday, on motion of Mr. Callahan.

On motion of Mr. Winchester, at eleven minutes before four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, April 9, 1919.

Met according to adjournment, Mr. Chamberlain in the chair.
Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

Southeastern
district, —
deputy district
attorney.

By Mr. McLane, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill to authorize the district attorney for the southeastern district to appoint a deputy district attorney (Senate, No. 192, changed), ought to pass;

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Deacon's Pond
Harbor.

By Mr. Brown, for the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on the petition of the chairman of the board of selectmen of the town of Falmouth, a Bill to change the name of Deacon's Pond Harbor to Falmouth Inner Harbor (printed as House, No. 1523);

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Opaque glass.

By Mr. Knox, for the committee on Mercantile Affairs, that the recommitted Senate Bill relative to the use of opaque glass in workshops and factories (Senate, No. 331), ought not to pass (Mr. Foley, of the Senate, and Messrs. Clauss, Odlin, Bunting Hickey and Reardon, of the House, dissenting);

Read, and the bill placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on rejecting it.

Deputy
assistant clerks
of courts.

By Mr. Hastings, for the committee on Public Service, on the petition of A. N. Frost, a Bill to provide for the appointment of deputy assistant clerks of courts (printed as House, No. 686);

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Assessors, —
compensation.

By Mr. Tarbell, for the committee on Towns, that the House Bill to establish the compensation of assessors (House, No. 174), ought to pass;

Read, and the bill placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Taken from the Table.

Street rail-
ways, —
investigation
of present
crisis.

On motion of Mr. Perrin, the Senate Report of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 168) of Silas D. Reed for an investigation and alleviation of the present crisis in the financing, management and operation of the street railways, — was taken from the table; and the report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Perrin moved that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had amended the House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 100) of Charles Carroll King and others that the office of district attorney, assistant district attorney and probation officer be established in each of the counties of Plymouth and Norfolk, by substituting a "Bill to establish the offices of district attorney, assistant district attorney and probation officer in each of the counties of Plymouth and Norfolk" (Senate, No. 100); and the further consideration of this motion was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of the same Senator.

Plymouth and Norfolk counties, — separate district attorneys and probation officers.

Petition.

Mr. Nichols presented a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 448) of William C. Matthews that the Independent Order of the J. R. Giddings and Joliffe Union be incorporated; and the petition was referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. Beck, to the committee on Insurance.

Independent Order of the J. R. Giddings and Joliffe Union.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

To regulate the hours of labor of certain employees in paper mills operating day and night (House, No. 262, — substituted for the House Report of the committee on Labor, "leave to withdraw," on the petition of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor);

Paper mills operating day and night, — hours of labor.

To authorize the city of Boston to pay the claim of the Atlas Construction Company (House, No. 570, changed, — on the petition of Frank J. Linehan);

Boston, — claim of Atlas Construction Company.

To authorize inspection by the Auditor of the Commonwealth of certain books and records of the Tax Commissioner (House, No. 1549, — on the petition of Alonzo B. Cook, accompanied by bill, House, No. 184);

Auditor of the Commonwealth, — inspection of income tax returns.

Relative to the sale of materials used in the manufacture of mattresses and similar articles (House, No. 1568 — on the petition of Edward B. Smalley, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1073); and

Mattresses and similar articles, — manufacture.

Relative to the employment of veterans in the service of the Commonwealth, cities or towns (House, No. 1581, — on the House Bill printed as Senate, No. 87, based on the petition of Timothy W. Kelly and others; the petition of Peter F. Sullivan, accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 291; the petition of Warren E. Tarbell, accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 292; the petition of Thomas A. Niland, accompanied by bill, House, No. 37; the petition of Charles A. Kelley, accompanied by bill, House, No. 38; the petition of Michael J. Reidy, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1124; the petition of Daniel J. Gillen, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1125; the petition of Robert E. Bigney, ac-

Soldiers and sailors, — public employment.

accompanied by bill, House, No. 1242; the petition of John J. Carey, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1243; and the message from the Governor relative thereto, House, No. 1404;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Boston, —
constables.

A Bill relative to constables in the city of Boston (House, No. 1558, — on the petition of Elihu D. Stone, accompanied by bill, House, No. 632), — came up, recommitted to the committee on Legal Affairs, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule; and the Senate concurred in the suspension of the said rule.

Reports

Merchandise or
fixtures, —
sale or mort-
gage in bulk.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 613) of William I. Schell that the sale or mortgage of merchandise or fixtures in bulk in fraud of creditors be prohibited;

Cord-wood, —
sale.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, no legislation necessary:

On so much of the recommendations of the State Forester (House, No. 897) as relates to the sale of cord-wood (accompanied by bill, House, No. 899); and

Telephone and
telegraph com-
panies, —
supervision.

On so much of the abstract of the fifth annual report of the Public Service Commission (Pub. Doc. No. 14) as relates to the supervision of telephone and telegraph companies (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1137);

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw:

Boston, —
gas and elec-
tric meters.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 270) of The Dorchester Board of Trade for the standardization of gas and electric meters in the city of Boston;

Gasoline,
— sale.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 951) of O. C. Bidwell for legislation to regulate the sale of gasoline (Mr. Odlin, of the House, dissenting); and

Master
painters, —
licensing.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1223) of William E. Wall relative to the licensing of master painters (Mr. Knox, of the Senate, dissenting); and

Care of
orphans, —
State payment.

Of the committee on Social Welfare, reference to the next General Court; on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1256) of Daniel J. Gillen relative to the payment of money by the Commonwealth to persons caring for orphans (Mr. Kearney, of the Senate, dissenting);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Supervisor of
Administration, —
department
of the Civil
Service Com-
mission.

A preliminary report of the Supervisor of Administration, requesting an extension of time within which to report (under a joint order of the two branches) relative to the conduct, methods and practices of the department of the Civil Service Commission (House, No. 1569), — was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on Rules.

House petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

Waltham, —
pensioning of
Richard A.
Jones.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1552) of George R. Beal, mayor, and others that the city of Waltham be authorized to pay a pension to Richard A. Jones;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Cities.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1545) of Frederick W. Fosdick relative to the punishment for conspiracy to commit a felony; and

Conspiracy to commit felony, — punishment.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1546) of Charles M. Bruce relative to naming co-respondents in libels for divorce for adultery;

Libels for divorce, — naming of co-respondents.

Severally, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, in each instance, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1553) of Cornelius A. Parker that the corporation known as the Middlesex County Creamery Company, Incorporated, be revived; and

Middlesex County Creamery Company, Incorporated. Newton Real Estate Association.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1554) of the Newton Real Estate Association for authority to reorganize and for the continuance of its corporate existence;

Severally, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, in each instance, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1555) of the mayor and city solicitor that the city of Worcester be authorized to borrow money for the purpose of increasing its water supply;

Worcester, — indebtedness for water supply.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Municipal Finance.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1564) of the selectmen that the town of Natick be authorized to pay a sum of money to the widow of Howard L. Frost and that a certain vote of said town be validated;

Natick, — widow of Howard L. Frost.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Towns.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Bill in amendment of the laws relative to primaries, caucuses, and elections (Senate, No. 360), was considered, as previously amended, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Primaries, caucuses and elections.

By a vote of 13 to 8, the Senate adopted the following pending amendments, previously moved by Mr. Nason, to wit: —

In section 19, striking out, in lines 7 and 11, respectively, the word "twenty", and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the word "twenty-two"; and striking out, in lines 9 and 12, respectively, the word "fourth", and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the word "sixth";

In section 20, striking out, in lines 7 and 8, and in line 12, respectively, the word "twenty-two", and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the word "twenty-four"; and striking out, in lines 9 and 12, respectively, the word "fourth", and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the word "sixth";

In section 21, striking out, in lines 7 and 11, respectively, the word "twenty", and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the word "twenty-two"; and striking out, in lines 9 and 12, respectively, the word "fourth", and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the word "sixth";

In section 23, striking out, in lines 9 and 12, respectively, the word "fourth", and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the word "sixth";

In section 24, striking out, in lines 10 and 14, respectively, the word "twenty-two", and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the word "twenty-four"; and striking out, in lines 12 and 15, respectively, the word "fourth", and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the word "sixth"; and

In section 26, striking out, in lines 10, 11 and 12, the words "sheriffs, registers of deeds, clerks of courts, registers of probate and insolvency, county treasurers"; and inserting after the word "years", in line 14, the words "and sheriffs, registers of deeds, clerks of courts, registers of probate and insolvency and county treasurers for six years".

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Police officers,
— civil service
status.

The House Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 517) of James M. Keaney relative to appointments and promotions of police officers in the classified civil service, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of Mr. Hastings.

Homesteads,
— preference
for soldiers
and sailors.

The House Report of the committee on Social Welfare, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 130) of Peter F. Sullivan that preference based on war service be established in the assignment of homesteads and land by the Homestead Commission, — was accepted, in concurrence.

Leather.

The Senate Report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 62) of Fred M. Knight and another for legislation to regulate the sale of leather, — was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Supervisor of
Loan Agencies,
— salary of
accountants.

The House Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 807) of Bernard I. McManus that the salary of the accountant in the department of the Supervisor of Loan Agencies be established, — was accepted, in concurrence.

Weights and
measures, —
fees of
sealers.

The Senate Bill regulating the fees receivable by sealers of weights and measures (Senate, No. 446), — was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Farm
machinery.

The House Bill to provide for the operation and sale of certain farm machinery by the State Department of Agriculture (House, No. 1447, amended), — was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The bills

Bills.

Relative to the compensation of the court officer for the Land Court for the county of Suffolk (Senate, No. 13, changed);

To authorize the town of Dartmouth to make an additional water loan (Senate, No. 411);

To change the time for the May term for civil business of the Superior Court for the county of Plymouth, sitting in Brockton (House, No. 597);

To authorize the town of Middleborough to take over the properties and liabilities of the Middleborough Fire District (House, No. 1485);

Relative to reinsurance and to the amount that may be written on any one risk (House, No. 1539);

Relative to extensions of the charters of gas and electric companies (House, No. 1540); and

To suspend the civil service laws and regulations in favor of returning soldiers and sailors (House, No. 1543, amended);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill relative to the drawing and passing of fraudulent checks, drafts and orders (Senate, No. 29), — was read a second time and was amended in section 2, on motion of Mr. Walsh, by striking out all after the word "depository", in line 7.

Fraudulent
checks and
drafts.

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relative to the reserve to be carried on life insurance policies (Senate, No. 441), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Nichols, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday.

Life insurance
companies, —
reserve.

The Bill to grant to mutual fire insurance companies chartered by the Commonwealth equal opportunities as are now granted by the Commonwealth to stock fire insurance companies of other States and countries (printed as House, No. 194), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Nichols, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday.

Mutual fire
insurance
companies.

The House bills

Authorizing the city of Holyoke to pay a sum of money to the widow of Michael H. Gilligan (printed as Senate, No. 385);

House bills.

Authorizing the city of Holyoke to pay a sum of money to the next of kin of William J. Mays (printed as Senate, No. 386);

Relative to fire and life insurance policies issued in violation of law (House, No. 372, changed);

Authorizing the city of Medford to retire and pension George D. Cummings (House, No. 1476, changed);

To authorize the town of Athol to borrow money for the purpose of erecting a town hall (House, No. 1477);

To authorize the town of Rockland to pension Thomas F. Kendrigan (House, No. 1480);

To authorize the city of Boston to pay an annuity to the widow of Thomas H. Lynch (House, No. 1498);

Relative to death benefits of the Boston Police Relief Association (House, No. 1501);

To provide for the erection and maintenance of a public building in the city of Lowell in memory of soldiers and sailors (House, No. 1530, amended);

House bills.

To authorize the First Parish Church in Dorchester to convey its property to the First Parish in Dorchester (House, No. 1536); and

To establish the Commission on Foreign and Domestic Commerce (House, No. 1544); and

The House resolves

House resolves.

Providing for a report by the State Department of Health relative to the pollution of the Charles River (House, No. 1525); and

Directing the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands to estimate the cost of making certain improvements in Belle Isle Inlet (House, No. 1532);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

State land in
Westminster,
— conveyance
to Boston and
Maine
Railroad.

The House Bill to authorize the conveyance of certain land of the Commonwealth in the town of Westminster (House, No. 976, changed), — was read a third time. Mr. Counihan, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out section 2.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Gas and elec-
tric companies,
— contracts.

The House Bill relative to contracts between gas and electric companies (House, No. 1531), — was read a third time and was amended, on motion of Mr. Nason, by inserting after the word "made", in line 1, the words "for more than one year".

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Senate reports.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on Public Institutions, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the recommendations of the Commission on Mental Diseases (House, No. 392) as relates to authorizing the said Commission to take real property by eminent domain (see House, No. 395);

Of the committee on Public Institutions, no legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the Massachusetts Bureau of Prisons (House, No. 1165) as relates to providing for the extension of the system of identification of criminals (see House, No. 1171); and

Of the committee on Public Institutions, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the recommendations of the Massachusetts Bureau of Prisons (House, No. 1165) as relates to providing for the compensation of inmates of the State Prison, the Massachusetts Reformatory, the Reformatory for Women and the Prison Camp and Hospital (see House, No. 1175);

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Feeble-minded
persons, —
supervision
and control.

The Senate Report of the committee on Public Institutions, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the recommendations of the Commission on Mental Diseases (House, No. 392) as relates to providing further supervision, care and control

of the neglected, dangerous or uncontrolled feeble-minded persons in the community (see House, No. 394), — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Churchill.

The Senate Report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 14) of George A. Hastings that the Massachusetts Highway Commission be authorized to keep certain highways on main through routes passable for motor-vehicles during the winter months, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Friday, on motion of Mr. Hastings.

State highways, — passable for motor-vehicles during winter months.

The House Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 793) of George C. Fitzpatrick for compensation for the taking of land for the Jeffries Point improvement in East Boston, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of Mr. Kearney.

George C. Fitzpatrick, — land in East Boston.

The House Report of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 325) of Edwin T. McKnight that the estates of persons who have died in the military or naval service of the United States be exempt from the provisions of the law imposing inheritance and succession taxes, — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

Estates of deceased soldiers and sailors, — taxation.

On motion of Mr. Nichols, the report was amended by substituting a "Bill to exempt the estates of soldiers and sailors from the payment of certain inheritance taxes" (Senate, No. 449); and the bill was read and, under the rule, was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

The House Report of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1397) of Charles F. Rowley that the estates of soldiers and sailors who die in service during the present war be exempt from legacy and succession taxes, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Nichols.

The House reports

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 64) of Benjamin C. Lane that stockholders may cause public service corporations to be placed in the hands of trustees or receivers;

House reports.

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 622) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to the fees of police, district and municipal courts, clerks of courts, registers of deeds,

recorder and assistant recorders of the Land Court and registers of probate and insolvency;

House reports.

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1058) of Edward J. Cox relative to loans made by money-lenders;

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1221) of James J. Mulvey for an investigation of abuses in connection with the sale of goods on the installment plan;

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 679) of Timothy J. Driscoll relative to compensating George Fletcher for loss of wages sustained by him as a result of an accident while employed as a special officer of the district police;

Of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 689) of Frank L. Dean relative to appointments, classifications and salaries in the department of the Controller of County Accounts;

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 804) of L. F. Hanson that the salary of the special agent of the Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions be established;

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1118) of John I. Fitzgerald relative to the removal, suspension or reduction of persons in the classified civil service of the city of Boston;

Of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the abstract of the fifth annual report of the Public Service Commission (Pub. Doc. No. 14) relating to railroad corporations (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 1138 and 1139) as relates to the location of tracks by railroads for the transportation of freight to and from manufacturing or other industries (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1139);

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 133) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to the distribution of the additional legacy and succession tax; and

Of the committee on Taxation, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 95) of Frederic C. Nichols relative to the payment of taxes and to sales of real estate for non-payment thereof;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Reed, at twenty-five minutes before four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, April 10, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Denton J. Neily of Medford.

Resolve Returned by the Governor with Recommendation of Amendments.

The engrossed Resolve to extend the time within which the commissioners for consolidating and arranging the general laws of the Commonwealth are required to make their final report (which originated in the Senate) (see Senate, No. 344), — which, on April 4, had been laid before the Governor for his approbation, was returned by His Excellency with the following message:

Commissioners
for consolidat-
ing and ar-
ranging the
General Laws,
— final report.

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, April 10, 1919.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

Acting under the authority conferred by a recent amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth, Senate Resolve No. 344, which is a resolve "To Extend the Time within which the Commissioners for Consolidating and Arranging the General Laws of the Commonwealth are required to make their Final Report," is herewith returned, with the recommendation that the resolve be amended as follows: —

By striking out in the fifth line of the engrossed copy of the resolve the words "first day of September" and inserting in place thereof "fifteenth day of October"; by striking out in the thirteenth line thereof the words "April first" and inserting in place thereof "May fifteenth"; and by striking out in the fifteenth line thereof the words "September first" and inserting in place thereof "October fifteenth".

This work is of great importance and cannot be hastily performed. It ought to be done expeditiously and ought to include the changes of the present year, especially as there are to be consolidations of the various departments. Independent investigations made by my request by the most competent judges of such work that I could find in the Commonwealth show that it is impossible to finish the work by the first of September. Unless it is to be done well it would be of no value, and it would be better to discard all the work which has been done up to the present time and begin anew than to undertake to put before the people of the Commonwealth a hurried revision of the statutes under which they are to live.

CALVIN COOLIDGE.

The message (Senate, No. 450) was read and the Senate proceeded to consider the resolve, in accordance with the provisions

of Article LVI of the Amendments of the Constitution; and the resolve was amended as recommended by His Excellency the Governor as follows, to wit: —

“By striking out in the fifth line of the engrossed copy of the resolve (line 6, as printed) the words ‘first day of September’ and inserting in place thereof ‘fifteenth day of October’; by striking out in the thirteenth line thereof (line 16, as printed) the words ‘April first’ and inserting in place thereof ‘May fifteenth’; and by striking out in the fifteenth line thereof (line 19, as printed) the words ‘September first’ and inserting in place thereof ‘October fifteenth’”.

Sent down for concurrence in the amendments. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Cavanagh.

Reports of Committees.

Indigent
soldiers and
sailors, —
burial.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill relative to the amount to be allowed for the burial of indigent soldiers and sailors (House, No. 649), ought NOT to pass;

Read, and the bill placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on rejecting it.

Medway, —
books and
documents.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the House Bill directing the Secretary of the Commonwealth to furnish certain books and documents to the town of Medway (House, No. 1537); and

James V.
Hennessey
of Concord.

The House Resolve providing for the payment of a sum of money to James V. Hennessey of Concord (House, No. 1529), — severally, ought to pass; and

State officials
and employees,
— bonds.

By Mr. Churchill, for the same committee, that the House Bill relative to the bonds required of certain officials and employees of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1528), ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

State-aided
vocational
education.

By Mr. Chamberlain, for the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 140) of Harold L. Perrin relative to State-aided vocational education;

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Boston, —
rapid transit
from Mattapan
and Forest
Hills section.

By Mr. Beck, for the joint committee on Rules, that the following Senate order ought NOT to be adopted, to wit: —

Ordered, That the Public Service Commission and the Transit Department of the city of Boston, succeeding to the statutory powers of the Boston Transit Commission as formerly established by law, be requested to consider jointly and report to the General Court not later than May tenth the desirability and practicability, from an engineering and operating standpoint, of any of the provisions of House Bills Number 1265 and 1298, with such specific recommendations and estimates of cost as they are able to prepare by said date, together with the draft of a bill or bills embodying such recommendations. They are

asked to include in their report such studies as they are able to make by said date as to the practicability from an engineering and operating standpoint of extending the present rapid transit system of the Boston Elevated Railway Company within the city of Boston (1) by the construction of a rapid transit loop from the present terminus of the Dorchester Tunnel at Andrew Square, via tracks on the location of the Old Colony Division of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad, and the Shawmut Branch of said Division, and returning via tracks upon the location of the Midland Division of said railroad to Andrew Square; and also (2) by the construction of another rapid transit loop from the present terminus of the elevated structure of the Boston Elevated Railway Company at Forest Hills by tracks on the location of the West Roxbury Branch of the Providence Division of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad to Dedham, and returning from Dedham to Forest Hills by way of Readville by tracks on the location of the main line of said Providence Division.

Read, and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator, and rejected, as had been recommended by the joint committee on Rules.

Reconsideration.

On motion of Mr. McLane, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had accepted the Senate Report of the committee on Public Institutions, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the recommendations of the Massachusetts Bureau of Prisons (House, No. 1165) as relates to providing for the compensation of inmates of the State Prison, the Massachusetts Reformatory, the Reformatory for Women and the Prison Camp and Hospital (see House, No. 1175).

Certain prisoners, — compensation.

Pending the recurring question on accepting the report, it was recommitted to the said committee, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule, further moved by the same Senator.

Sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the said rule. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of Mr. McLane.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain, —

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Public Health be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, Boston and the Taunton River, be extended to April 18.

Committee on Public Health, travel.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill relative to the retirement system for employees of the County of Worcester. (House, No. 1583, — in part, on the petition of G. E. Wire, accompanied by bill, House, No. 828), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

County retirement system.

Bills

Minors, —
operation of
elevators.

Relative to the employment of minors in the operation of elevators (House, No. 826, amended, — on the petition of Edwin Mulready and others);

Unauthorized
companies, —
insurance.

Relative to effecting insurance in foreign companies not authorized to issue policies in this Commonwealth (House, No. 1557, — on the recommendations of the Insurance Commissioner, House, No. 362, in part, see House, No. 387); and

Cemeteries, —
care and pres-
ervation of
lots, tombs and
monuments.

Relative to the care and preservation of lots, tombs and monuments in cemeteries (House, No. 1582, — on the petition of the Proprietors of Rural Cemetery, Worcester, accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 280);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Chief of the
district police,
— recom-
mendations.

A Report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the chief of the district police (House, No. 867) as was considered by the committee (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 869, 870 and 872), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

Relative to the suppression of the European corn-borer and other insect pests and plant diseases;

To incorporate the Stockbridge Library Association;

To extend the powers of burglary insurance companies; and

To regulate the taking effect of acts of the General Court.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Assessors, —
compensation.

The Bill to establish the compensation of assessors (House, No. 174), — was ordered to a third reading.

State
institutions, —
treatment of
communicable
diseases.

The House Report of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the recommendations of the Massachusetts Bureau of Prisons (House, No. 1165) as relates to the treatment of communicable diseases in State institutions (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1176), — was accepted, in concurrence.

Southeastern
district, —
deputy district
attorney.

The Bill to authorize the district attorney for the southeastern district to appoint a deputy district attorney (Senate, No. 192, changed), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Perrin, the bill was laid on the table.

Paper mills
operating day
and night, —
hours of labor.

The Bill to regulate the hours of labor of certain employees in paper mills operating day and night (House No. 262), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Hardy of Worcester, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday.

The Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay the claim of the Atlas Construction Company (House, No. 570, changed), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Prescott, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday.

Boston, —
claim of Atlas
Construction
Company.

The bills

To change the name of Deacon's Pond Harbor to Falmouth Bills.
Inner Harbor (printed as House, No. 1523);

To authorize the inspection by the Auditor of the Commonwealth of certain books and records of the Tax Commissioner (House, No. 1549);

Relative to the sale of materials used in the manufacture of mattresses and similar articles (House, No. 1568); and

Relative to the employment of veterans in the service of the Commonwealth, cities or towns (House, No. 1581);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill relative to the use of opaque glass in work-shops and factories (Senate, No. 331), — was considered; and the question on rejecting the bill, as had been recommended by the committee on Mercantile Affairs, was determined as follows, to wit: —

Opaque glass.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Curtin, John A.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Tarbell, Warren E.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 15.

NAYS.

Messrs. Callahan, Edward
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Halliwell, John

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
Nason, Arthur L. — 10.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. Arthur W. Colburn,
Mr. Charles L. Gifford,
Mr. Silas D. Reed,
Mr. Edward B. Eames,
Mr. Charles S. Smith,
Mr. Leonard F. Hardy,

NAYS.

Mr. Edward A. Counihan, Jr. (present).
Mr. John J. Walsh (present).
Mr. Peter F. Sullivan (present).
Mr. Walter E. McLane (present).
Mr. James F. Cavanagh (present).
Mr. William J. Foley (present). — 12.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. Edward N. Dahlborg,

Mr. Charles A. Winchester. — 2.

So the bill was rejected.

The Senate Bill relative to the compensation of the court officer of the Land Court for the county of Suffolk (Senate, No. 13, changed) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time. Mr.

Suffolk
County Land
Court, —
court officer.

Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 2, by striking out, in lines 1, 2 and 3, the words "upon its passage, and the salary hereby provided for shall be paid from," and inserting in place thereof the words "as of".

This amendment was adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Senate bill.

The Senate Bill to authorize the town of Dartmouth to make an additional water loan (Senate, No. 411), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Gas and
electricity, —
increases
in price.

The Senate Bill to regulate increases in the price of gas and electricity (Senate, No. 425), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out, in lines 2 and 3, the words "by any private corporation within this Commonwealth", and inserting in place thereof the words "within this Commonwealth by a gas company or an electric company, as defined in section one of chapter seven hundred and forty-two of the Acts of nineteen hundred and fourteen."

This amendment was adopted.

Mr. Chamberlain moved that the bill be amended by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:—

"Any increase hereafter made in the price of gas or electricity sold by any private corporation within this Commonwealth for the lighting of public streets or buildings or in the maximum net price of gas or electricity sold to commercial consumers shall be subject to revision and approval by the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners within thirty days after the same has taken effect, which hearing and the decision of the board thereon shall be had within thirty days after such increase is made."

This amendment was rejected.

Mr. McLane moved that the bill, as amended, be referred to the next General Court; and this motion was negatived.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Boston, —
hospitals.

The Senate Bill relative to the construction, alteration and maintenance of hospitals in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 428), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended as follows:

In section 1, by striking out, in line 15, the word "thirty-five", and inserting in place thereof the word "forty"; in section 2, by striking out, in line 1, the word "elevators", and inserting in place thereof the word "elevator"; in section 4, by striking out, in lines 1 and 2, the words "vent and dumb-waiter", and inserting in place thereof the words "light and ventilating";

and in section 5, by inserting after the word "an", in line 1, the words "existing or".

These amendments were adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill to establish Commissioners on Uniform State Laws (House, No. 431, amended), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 5, by striking out, in lines 5 and 6 (as changed), the words "money authorized by this act to be appropriated for the expenses of the commission", and inserting in place thereof the words "such appropriation for the expense of the commission as may be made by the General Court"; and by adding after section 5 the following new section: — "SECTION 6. Chapters four hundred and sixteen of the Acts of nineteen hundred and nine, seventy-three of the Acts of nineteen hundred and ten and three hundred and eighty-one of the Acts of nineteen hundred and fourteen are hereby repealed."

Commissioners
on Uniform
State Laws.

These amendments were adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill to authorize the town of Sharon to acquire and operate a street railway line and a system of transportation by motor-vehicles (House, No. 1533), — was read a third time and was amended, on motion of Mr. Perrin, as follows: In section 1, by inserting after the word "may", in line 15, the word "sell"; and by adding at the end thereof the words ", and any grantee, lessee or sublessee of the town shall succeed to all the powers, duties and restrictions conferred or imposed upon the said town in respect to the operation thereof"; and by inserting after section 1 the following new section "SECTION 2. In case the town and the said street railway company are unable to agree as to the compensation to be paid for any property taken hereunder by right of eminent domain, the same shall be determined in the same manner as for takings of property for highway purposes."

Sharon, —
operation of
street railway
line.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

The House bills

To authorize the town of Middleborough to take over the properties and liabilities of the Middleborough Fire District (House, No. 1485);

House bills.

Relative to reinsurance and to the amount that may be written on any one risk (House, No. 1539); and

Relative to extensions of the locations of gas and electric companies (House, No. 1540) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House reports

House reports.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 613) of William I. Schell that the sale or mortgage of merchandise or fixtures in bulk in fraud of creditors be prohibited;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 270) of the Dorchester Board of Trade for the standardization of gas and electric meters in the city of Boston;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, no legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the State Forester (House, No. 897) as relates to the sale of cord-wood (accompanied by bill, House, No. 899);

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 951) of O. C. Bidwell for legislation to regulate the sale of gasoline;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, no legislation necessary, on so much of the abstract of the fifth annual report of the Public Service Commission (Pub. Doc. No. 14) as relates to the supervision of telephone and telegraph companies (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1137); and

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1223) of William E. Wall relative to the licensing of master painters;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Orphans, —
payment
for care.

The House Report of the committee on Social Welfare, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1256) of Daniel J. Gillen relative to the payment of money by the Commonwealth to persons caring for orphans, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Weston.

On motion of Mr. Read, at six minutes before four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

FRIDAY, April 11, 1919.

Met according to adjournment, Mr. Walsh in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

General Clarendon E. Adams, Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic.

General Clarendon E. Adams of Omaha, Neb., Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, was introduced by the presiding officer and briefly addressed the Senate.

Commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Reports of a Committee.

By Mr. Churchill, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill relative to clerical assistance for the registers of probate and insolvency for the counties of Hampshire, Franklin and Barnstable (Senate, No. 200), ought to pass;

Counties of Hampshire, Franklin and Barnstable, — registers of probate.

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to permit absent voters to vote at State elections (Senate, No. 326), ought to pass, with the following amendments: —

Absent voting.

In section 4, inserting after the word "mailed", in line 7, the words "by city and town clerks"; in section 6, adding at the end thereof the words "The clerk shall keep lists of the names and addresses, arranged by voting precincts, of all voters filing applications for absent voting ballots, and shall post copies of the same for public inspection."; and in section 8, inserting after the word "preceding", in line 6, the words ", and not later than,";

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading, with the amendments pending.

Reconsideration.

On motion of Mr. Counihan, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, the House Bill to establish Commissioners on Uniform State Laws (House, No. 431, amended).

Commissioners on Uniform State Laws.

Pending the recurring question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, it was further amended, on motion of the same Senator, by adding at the end of section 6 (added by amendment, by the Senate) the words "but this section shall not take effect until the appointment and organization of the commissioners herein provided for."

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the several amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

The following communication was received: —

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, April 11, 1919.

Hon. EDWIN T. MCKNIGHT, *President of the Senate.*

Brigadier-
General John
H. Sherburne.

MY DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: — Complying with the provisions of an order adopted this day by the House I have the pleasure of extending to the Honorable Senate through you an invitation to be present in the House Chamber on Monday afternoon next to listen to an address by Brigadier-General John H. Sherburne of Brookline, a former member of the House.

Yours very truly,
JOSEPH E. WARNER,
Speaker.

Worcester
State Hospital,
— rental of
sewerage
system.

A Bill relative to the payment of rental by the trustees of the Worcester State Hospital to the city of Worcester for the use of its sewerage system (House, No. 1566, — on the petition of Pehr G. Holmes, mayor, and others, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1290), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills

Imitation furs,
— sale.

Relative to the sale or exchange of manufactured imitations of the furs of fur-bearing animals (House, No. 1071, on the petition of John C. Gordon); and

Boston, —
reinstatement
of Dennis D.
Driscoll.

Relative to the reinstatement of Dennis D. Driscoll as deputy commissioner of the penal institutions department of the city of Boston (House, No. 1556, — on the petition of Michael O'Donnell and another, accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 364);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

State budget.

The House Bill making appropriations for the maintenance of departments, boards, commissions, institutions and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements (House, No. 1413), — came up, with the endorsement that the House had concurred in the adoption of the Senate amendment with the exception of those in Items 257, 258, 376, 499 and 500, in which amendments it had non-concurred.

On motion of Mr. McLane, the Senate insisted on its amendments in Items 257, 258, 376, 499 and 500, and asked for a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches. Messrs. Gifford, McLane and Foley were appointed the committee on its part; and the bill was sent down endorsed accordingly. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of Mr. McLane.

Reports

Coöperative
banks, —
loans, invest-
ments and
paid-up
certificates.

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 902) of George H. Wyman and others relative to loans

and investments of coöperative banks and to provide for the issuance of certain paid-up certificates;

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 204) of Martin Hays for a reorganization of the board of election commissioners of the city of Boston; and Boston, —
reorganization of
election
board.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 963) of Ralph Adams Cram for the construction by the city of Boston of a highway from Eliot Street to Church Green and for the relocating and widening of Bedford Street from Kingston Street to Church Green; Boston, —
highway from
Eliot Street to
Church Green.

Of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 663) of John R. Nelson relative to the abatement by the State Department of Health of the nuisance now existing at Spectacle Island in Boston Harbor; Spectacle
Island in
Boston harbor,
— abatement
of nuisance.

Of the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the State Department of Health (House, No. 1145) as was considered by the committee (accompanied by bills and resolve, House, Nos. 1147 to 1151, inclusive; State
Department
of Health, —
recommendations.

Of the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the State Department of Health of prosecutions and expenditures under the laws relative to adulterated drugs and food (House, No. 1475); State
Department
of Health, —
adulterated
drugs and
food.

Of the committee on Public Institutions, no legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the State Board of Charity (House, No. 849) as relates to the approval of the incorporation of charitable corporations (accompanied by bill, House, No. 851); Charitable
corporations,
— approval of
incorporation.

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 526) of Jeremiah P. Keating that cities and towns be reimbursed for expenses incurred in prosecuting persons for violating laws relating to motor-vehicles; and Laws relating
to motor-
vehicles, —
violations.

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1252) of Cornelius F. Haley relative to the improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of Central Street in the town of Rowley; Rowley, —
State improve-
ment of
Central Street.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Notice was received from the House that the engrossed Bill to provide for the widening of L Street in the South Boston district of the city of Boston (House, No. 1487, amended), having been returned by His Excellency the Governor with his objections thereto in writing (House, No. 1562), had failed to pass. Veto, —
widening of
L Street in
South Boston.

A special report of the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board relative to the practicability of utilizing the force of the water flowing from the sources and storage basins of the metropolitan system (House, No. 1561), — was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Water Supply. Metropolitan
water sources
and basins, —
utilization of
water power.

Committee on
Public Service,
— travel.

The following House orders were adopted, in concurrence: —
Ordered, That the committee on Public Service be authorized to travel, in the discharge of its duties, in the city of Boston, on or before April 15 at an expense not to exceed one hundred dollars.

Joint special
committee, —
danger from
fire at the Sol-
diers' Home
in Chelsea.

Whereas, It is the unanimous opinion of the committee on Military Affairs, after a careful inspection of the buildings at the Soldiers' Home in Chelsea, that the safety and lives of the inmates are imperilled by reason of the fire hazards there existing, and that there is necessity for speedy action thereon; therefore be it

Ordered, That a joint special committee to be composed of two members of the Senate, and three members of the House of Representatives, be appointed to examine the buildings at the Soldiers' Home in Chelsea in order to determine what danger to the inmates from fire exists in the said buildings or in any one of them; and if the committee should find that proper protection from fire is lacking in any building, or that the building itself is unsafe, it shall report a plan for such reconstruction or alteration of the buildings or such additions thereto as may be necessary to make the inmates safe from fire, with an estimate of the cost thereof. The committee shall serve without compensation, but may employ expert assistance, and shall be allowed therefor and for its other necessary expenses a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars, and shall report to the General Court not later than the thirtieth day of April in the current year.

Emergency Preambles Adopted.

Soldiers and
sailors, —
records.

An engrossed Bill to provide for a record of Massachusetts soldiers and sailors in the present war (see House, No. 1434), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Churchill, George B.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.

Messrs. Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
McLane, Walter E.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 26.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Colburn, Arthur W.

Messrs. Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Eames, Edward B.

Messrs. Finkel, Samuel B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
Nason, Arthur L. — 13.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

An engrossed Bill relative to reinstatement of soldiers and sailors in county retirement systems for employees (see House, No. 1436), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

County employees' retirement system, — soldiers and sailors.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Churchill, George B.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.

Messrs. Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
McLane, Walter E.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
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Winchester, Charles A. — 26.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.

Messrs. Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
Nason, Arthur L. — 13.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the House) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Authorizing the city of Quincy to establish a hospital;
To enlarge the powers and duties of the State Drainage Board;
To provide for the further regulation of collection agencies;
Relative to proof of death upon certain petitions for administration;

Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

Relative to the suspension or revocation of innholders' and common victuallers' licenses; and

Relative to sessions of the Superior Court in the city of Lynn for naturalization purposes.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Revere, —
water supply
for Saugus.

The House Report of the committee on Water Supply, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 843) of Roscoe Walsworth and another that the city of Revere be authorized to discontinue supplying water to the town of Saugus, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Beck.

Universal
compulsory
military
training.

The Senate Report of the committee on Federal Relations, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by resolutions, Senate, No. 255) of Silas D. Reed for legislation to promote universal compulsory military training, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was recommitted to the said committee, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule, moved by Mr. Reed.

Sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the said rule.

Lord's Day, —
motion
pictures.

The Bill to prohibit the exhibition of motion pictures on the Lord's Day in theatres or other places of public amusement (printed as House, No. 1070), — was considered; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Knox.

Life and in-
vestment in-
surance, —
separation.

The House Report of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 473) of Fred S. Elwell relative to the separation of life and investment insurance, — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Callahan, by a vote of 12 to 6, the report was amended by substituting a "Bill to authorize the separation of investment and life insurance" (printed as House, No. 473); and the bill was read and, under the rule, was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

State high-
ways, — pass-
able for motor-
vehicles during
winter months.

The Senate Report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 14) of George A. Hastings that the Massachusetts Highway Commission be authorized to keep certain highways on main through routes passable for motor-vehicles during the winter months, — was considered, the question being on accepting it.

Mr. Hastings moved that the report be amended by substituting a "Bill to authorize the Massachusetts Highway Commission to keep certain highways on main through routes passable for motor-vehicles during the winter months" (Senate, No. 14, — changed in section 1, by inserting before the word "dollars", in line 4, the words "fifty thousand").

Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Beck.

The House Report of the committee on Social Welfare, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1256) of Daniel J. Gillen relative to the payment of money by the Commonwealth to persons caring for orphans, — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence. Orphans, —
payment
for care.

On motion of Mr. Kearney, by a vote of 9 to 8, the report was amended by substituting a "Bill to authorize the payment of money to persons caring for orphans" (printed as House, No. 1256); and the bill was read and, under the rule, was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

The House Bill relative to the employment of minors in the operation of elevators (House, No. 826, amended), — was read a second time. Minors, —
operation of
elevators.

Mr. Weston moved that the bill be referred to the next General Court.

Mr. Cavanagh moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until the following Thursday.

The question being put on the latter motion (that motion having precedence, under the rule), the same prevailed; and, accordingly, the further consideration of the bill was postponed until the following Thursday,

The bills

Relative to the bonds required of certain officials and employees of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1528); Bills.

Directing the Secretary of the Commonwealth to furnish certain books and documents to the town of Medway (House, No. 1537);

Relative to effecting insurance in foreign companies not authorized to issue policies in this Commonwealth (House, No. 1557); and

Relative to the care and preservation of lots, tombs and monuments in cemeteries (House, No. 1582); and

The Resolve providing for the payment of a sum of money to James V. Hennessey of Concord (House, No. 1529); Resolve.

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The House Bill relative to the amount to be allowed for the burial of indigent soldiers and sailors (House, No. 649), — was considered; and, pending the question on rejecting the bill, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Reed. Indigent
soldiers and
sailors, —
burial.

The Senate Bill to provide for the pensioning of public school janitors in certain cities and towns (printed as House, No. 90) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time. Mr. Counihan, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out section 4. Janitors of
school build-
ings.

This amendment was adopted.

Mr. Knox moved that the bill be amended in section 1, by inserting after the word "towns", in line 3, the words "which accept this act as provided in section four."; and by adding the following new section "SECTION 4. This act shall take effect in any city or town only upon its acceptance by the mayor and city council, or by the voters in a town-meeting duly called for the purpose."

Pending these amendments, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, as amended, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Beck.

Senate bill.

The Senate Bill to change the name of Deacon's Pond Harbor to Falmouth Inner Harbor (printed as House, No. 1523), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Assessors, —
compensation.

The House Bill to establish the compensation of assessors (House, No. 174), — was read a third time; and it was rejected, by a vote of 8 to 9.

House bill.

The House Bill to change the time for the May term of the Superior Court for civil business for the county of Plymouth, sitting in Brockton (House, No. 597) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Dahlborg.

Returning
soldiers and
sailors, —
civil service.

The House Bill to suspend the civil service laws and regulations in favor of returning soldiers and sailors (House, No. 1543), — was read a third time. Mr. Counihan, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 1, by striking out, in lines 6, 7 and 8, the words "*provided*, that he is a citizen of this Commonwealth or hereafter acquires a settlement herein: and *provided*, further," and inserting in place thereof the words "and who was a citizen or resident alien of this Commonwealth at the time of his induction into said service, *provided*,"; and in section 3, by adding at the end thereof the words "nor shall it affect the provisions of section twenty-five of the Revised Laws, as amended by section one of chapter one hundred and sixty of the General Acts of nineteen hundred and eighteen, and by section one of chapter fourteen of the General Acts of the current year, of section two of said chapter one hundred and sixty, as amended by section two of said chapter fourteen, or of chapter one hundred and eighty-five of the General Acts of nineteen hundred and eighteen."

These amendments were adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. McLane.

House bill.

The House Bill to authorize inspection by the Auditor of the Commonwealth of certain books and records of the Tax Commissioner (House, No. 1549), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Bill relative to the sale of materials used in the Mattresses. manufacture of mattresses and similar articles (House, No. 1568), — was read a third time. On motion of Mr. Reed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday.

The Senate Report of the committee on Education, leave to Senate report. withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 140) of Harold L. Perrin relative to State-aided vocational education, — was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, House report. no further legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the chief of the district police (House, No. 867) as was considered by the committee (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 869, 870 and 872), — was accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Brown, at twelve minutes past one o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, April 14, 1919.

Met according to adjournment, Mr. Smith in the Chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Brigadier General John H. Sherburne.

Brigadier-
General
John H.
Sherburne.

Mr. Beck offered the following order, to wit: —

Whereas, The House of Representatives, through its presiding officer, has extended to the Senate an invitation to be present in the House chamber on Monday afternoon, April 14th, on the occasion of the visit of Brigadier General John H. Sherburne, artillery commander of the 51st Brigade, United States Army, and formerly a member of that branch of the General Court, therefore, be it

Ordered, That the Senate gratefully acknowledges and accepts the invitation extended by the House of Representatives to be present in the House chamber and listen to an address by General Sherburne on his return from the battlefields of France, where he so recently rendered such gallant service to his country and thereby brought further glory to the name of the Commonwealth; and be it further

Ordered, That the Senate inform the House of Representatives that it will be pleased to attend the exercises at such hour as the House may designate.

The order was adopted and was sent down for the information of the House.

Subsequently, notice was received from the House of Representatives, by a committee thereof, that General Sherburne would appear in the House forthwith.

Accordingly, the Senate then proceeded to the Hall of the House of Representatives, where General Sherburne, accompanied by members of his staff, was received, and, having been presented by the Speaker, addressed the House.

At the conclusion of the address the Senate returned to its chamber.

Reports of Committees.

Savings banks,
— investment
boards.

By Mr. Curtin, for the committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of Robert Walcott (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1186), a Bill relative to the qualifications of members of the investment boards of savings banks (Senate, No. 453) (Mr. Scigliano, of the House, dissenting); and

Boston, —
additional
appropriations
for municipal
purposes.

By Mr. Smith, for the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, on the petition of Andrew J. Peters, mayor (accompanied by bill, House, No. 637), a Bill to authorize the city of Boston to make additional appropriations for municipal purposes, and for the

repair and reconstruction of streets for the current financial year (Senate, No. 452) (Mr. Reading, of the House, dissenting);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 154) of Frank Lewis, fire prevention commissioner, relative to the better prevention of fires throughout the metropolitan district; Metropolitan district, — prevention of fires.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 214) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to taxes in the said city; Boston, — taxes.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 232) of John J. Mahoney that the statutory limit on the rate of taxation in the city of Boston be abolished and that said city be permitted to fix its own tax rate; Id.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 233) of John J. Mahoney that the limit on the rate of taxation in the city of Boston be abolished and that said city be authorized to borrow money without enabling legislation; and Id.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 124) of Martin Hays relative to the indebtedness and finances of the city of Boston; and Boston, — indebtedness and finances.

By Mr. Finkel, for the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 47), of George E. Curran that a public fish market and pier be established at or near Warren Bridge in the city of Boston; Boston, — public fish market on Warren Bridge.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Tarbell moved that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had rejected the House Bill to establish the compensation of assessors (House, No. 174); and the further consideration of this motion was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of the same Senator. Assessors, — compensation.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Winchester asked unanimous consent that he might move that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at a previous session, it had rejected the following Senate Order:—

Ordered, That the Public Service Commission and the Transit Department of the city of Boston, succeeding to the statutory powers of the Boston Transit Commission as formerly established by law, be requested to consider jointly and report to the General Court not later than May tenth the desirability and practicability, from an engineering and operating standpoint, of any of the provisions of House Bills Numbers 1265 and 1298, with such specific recommendations and estimates of cost as they are able to prepare by said date, together with the draft of a bill or bills embodying such recommendations. They are asked to include in their report such studies as they are able to make by said date as to the practicability from an engineering Boston, — rapid transit from Mattapan and Forest Hills section.

and operating standpoint of extending the present rapid transit system of the Boston Elevated Railway Company within the city of Boston (1) by the construction of a rapid transit loop from the present terminus of the Dorchester Tunnel at Andrew Square, via tracks on the location of the Old Colony Division of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad, and the Shawmut Branch of said Division, and returning via tracks upon the location of the Midland Division of said railroad to Andrew Square; and also (2) by the construction of another rapid transit loop from the present terminus of the elevated structure of the Boston Elevated Railway Company at Forest Hills by tracks on the location of the West Roxbury Branch of the Providence Division of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad to Dedham, and returning from Dedham to Forest Hills by way of Readville by tracks on the location of the main line of said Providence Division.

There being no objection, this motion was entertained; and it prevailed. On further motion of the same Senator, the 5th joint rule was suspended.

On motion of Mr. Beck, the order was recommitted to the joint committee on Rules.

Sent down for the concurrence in the suspension of the 5th joint rule.

Bills Ordered Printed.

On motion of Mr. Nichols, —

Voted, That three hundred copies of each of the following bills be printed for the use of the committee on Taxation, to wit: —

Poll-taxes.
—
Temperance
beverages, —
license. ~~and~~
Incomes, —
emergency
municipal tax.

Bill relative to poll-taxes.

Bill to require a license for the sale of temperance beverages or soft drinks.

Bill to impose an emergency municipal tax on certain incomes.

Petition.

Revere Beach
Parkway, —
public travel.

Mr. Cavanagh presented a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 451) of E. Leroy Sweetser and another that provision be made to facilitate the safety and convenience of public travel on Revere Beach Parkway; and the same was referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. Beck, to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. McLane, —

Senate balcony,
— reservations
for parade of
the 26th
Division.

Ordered, That the Senate Chambers and balcony in front of the Senate Chambers be reserved for the use of the members of the Senate and their guests on April 25, 1919. No person except a member of the Senate shall be admitted without a ticket issued by the Senate Committee on Rules who shall have full charge of the distribution of tickets. The Sergeant-at-Arms is hereby authorized and instructed to carry out the provisions of this order.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Relative to clerical assistance in the office of the clerk of the municipal court for the Roxbury district of the city of Boston (printed as Senate, No. 50, on the petition of George E. Curran); and
 Relative to the filing by State boards and commissions of recommendations and suggestions for legislative action (House, No. 1565);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills

Relative to the payment of fees for the inspection of boilers and air tanks (House, No. 872, — on the recommendations of the chief of the district police, House, No. 867, in part);

To authorize the city of Boston to pay an annuity to the widow of Thomas J. Stevens (House, No. 1521, changed, — on the petition of Francis B. McKinney and another); and

To authorize the city of Malden to pay a sum of money to the widow of Samuel Tilden (House, No. 1522, changed, — on the petition of the mayor of said city);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

The Senate Bill to establish the office of Deputy Commissioner of Health (Senate, No. 435) — came up, referred to the committee on Administration and Commissions; and the Senate concurred therein.

The House Bill to provide for an assistant director of the Commission on Mental Diseases (House, No. 984, on the petition of George M. Kline), — came up, referred to the committee on Administration and Commissions; and the Senate concurred therein.

The Senate Bill to establish a municipal lighting commission for the city of Taunton (Senate, No. 418), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment in section 2, striking out, in line 2, the word "may", and inserting in place thereof the word "shall".

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Reed, and the amendment was considered forthwith and was adopted, in concurrence.

The House Bill making appropriations for the maintenance of departments, boards, commissions, institutions and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements (House, No. 1413), — came up, with the endorsement that the House had insisted on its non-concurrence in the Senate amendments in Items 257, 258, 376, 499 and 500, and had concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches; and that Messrs. Young of Weston, Lyman of Easthampton and Fitzgerald of Boston, of the House, had been joined.

Roxbury municipal court, — clerical assistance.
 State boards and commissions, — recommendations.

Boilers and air tanks, — inspection fees.

Boston, — widow of Thomas J. Stevens.

Malden, — widow of Samuel Tilden.

Deputy Commissioner of Health.

Commission on Mental Diseases, — assistant director.

Taunton, — municipal lighting commission.

State budget, — committee of conference.

Reports

Motor-vehicles,
— licensing by
local
authorities.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the recommitted petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 153) of David R. Radovsky relative to licensing and regulating the operation of motor-vehicles;

Spanish
influenza and
pneumonia, —
suppression.

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 973) of Frank Mulveny for an appropriation to be used by the State Department of Health in connection with the control, suppression and treatment of Spanish influenza and pneumonia;

Hale's Brook
in Lowell, —
improvement.

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the special report of the State Department of Health relative to the improvement of Hale's Brook in the city of Lowell (House, No. 1335);

Homestead
Commission,
— secretary.

Of the committee on Public Service, no legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the Homestead Commission (House, No. 1152) as relates to authorizing said commission to employ a secretary (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1154);

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw:

Haverhill
assistant fire
chiefs, —
civil service.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 817) of Roswell L. Wood and another that the assistant chiefs of the fire department of the city of Haverhill be placed under civil service; and

Superintend-
ents of town
almshouses, —
civil service.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1239) of the Wardens' and Matrons' Association of Massachusetts that the civil service law and rules be extended to superintendents of town almshouses, homes or farms; and

Widow of
Allen A.
David.

Of the joint committee on Ways and Means, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 382) of D. Gardiner O'Keefe and another that provision be made for the relief of the widow and family of the late Allen A. David;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Motherless
dependent
children, —
suitable aid.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate Bill to provide for suitably aiding motherless dependent children (Senate, No. 212), had been referred, by the House, to the next General Court; and also

Committee on
Mercantile
Affairs, —
sale of tickets
by theatres,
etc.

That the order providing that the committee on Mercantile Affairs investigate the question of the regulation of the sale of tickets by theatres and other places of public entertainment and amusement, and by speculators in the city of Boston, and report to the General Court such recommendations as it may deem advisable to prevent the continuance of abuses under existing conditions, had been rejected by the House.

Emergency Preamble Adopted.

Appropriation,
— European
corn-borer.

An engrossed Bill making an appropriation for suppressing the European corn-borer, so called (see House, No. 1513, amended), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was taken by a call of the yeas and

nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 33.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Curran, George E.

Messrs. Eames, Edward B.
McIntosh, David S.
Prescott, Francis — 6.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Relative to the disposition of bonds of gas, electric and water companies;

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To provide for the division into day and night forces of permanent members of fire departments;

To provide for the appointment of special district police officers;

To extend the provisions of law relative to the retirement of county employees to the employees of the Worcester County Law Library Association; and

Making an appropriation for suppressing the European corn-borer, so called.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 517) of James M. Keaney relative to appointments and promotions of police officers in the classified civil service, — was con-

Police officers,
— civil service
status.

sidered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of Mr. Hastings.

The bills

Places of amusement, — admission of children.
Boston, — claim of Atlas Construction Company.

Relative to the admission of children under sixteen years of age to places of amusement (printed as House, No. 997); and

To authorize the city of Boston to pay the claim of the Atlas Construction Company (House, No. 570, changed);

Were severally ordered to a third reading.

Pittsfield, — salary of mayor.

The House Bill to establish the salary of the mayor of the city of Pittsfield (House, No. 1550), — was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Hastings, the bill was amended in section 1, by striking out, in lines 7 and 36, respectively, the word "twenty-five", and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the word "eighteen"; and by striking out section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following new section: "SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage."

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

Janitors of school buildings.

The Senate Bill to provide for the pensioning of public school janitors in certain cities and towns (printed as House, No. 90), — was considered, as previously amended, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The Senate adopted the following pending amendments, previously moved by Mr. Knox, — in section 1, inserting after the word "towns", in line 3, the words "which accept this act as provided in section four."; and adding the following new section: "SECTION 4. This act shall take effect in any city or town only upon its acceptance by the mayor and city council, or by the voters in a town-meeting duly called for the purpose."

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

George C. Fitzpatrick, — land in East Boston.

The House Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 793) of George C. Fitzpatrick for compensation for the taking of land for the Jeffries Point improvement in East Boston, — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

Mr. Kearney moved that the report be amended by substituting a "Bill relative to the damages sustained by George C. Fitzpatrick of Boston by the taking of land in East Boston" (printed as House, No. 793); and this amendment was rejected, by a vote of 7 to 12.

The report was then accepted, in concurrence.

Plymouth and Norfolk counties, — separate district attorneys and probation officers.

The Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at a previous session, it had amended the House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 100) of Charles Carroll King and others that the office of district attorney, assistant district attorney and probation officer be established in each of the counties of Plym-

outh and Norfolk, by substituting a "Bill to establish the offices of district attorney, assistant district attorney and probation officer in each of the counties of Plymouth and Norfolk" (Senate, No. 100).

On the recurring question, the Senate rejected the amendment, by a vote of 3 to 19.

The report was then accepted, in concurrence.

The bills

Relative to clerical assistance for the registers of probate and insolvency for the counties of Hampshire, Franklin and Barnstable (Senate, No. 200); Bills.

Relative to the sale or exchange of manufactured imitations of the furs of fur-bearing animals (House, No. 1071); and

Relative to the reinstatement of Dennis D. Driscoll as deputy commissioner of the penal institutions department of the city of Boston (House, No. 1556);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill to permit absent voters to vote at State elections (Senate, No. 326), — was read a second time and was amended, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, as follows: — Absent voting.

In section 4, by inserting after the word "mailed", in line 7, the words "by city and town clerks"; in section 6, by adding at the end thereof the words "The clerk shall keep lists of the names and addresses, arranged by voting precincts, of all voters filing applications for absent voting ballots, and shall post copies of the same for public inspection."; and in section 8, by inserting after the word "preceding", in line 6, the words ", and not later than,".

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the separation of investment and life insurance (printed as House, No. 473), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Nichols, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday. Life and investment insurance, — separation.

The Senate Bill relative to the drawing and passing of fraudulent checks, drafts and orders (Senate, No. 29), — was read a third time, as previously amended; and it was passed to be engrossed. Senate bill.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill to provide for the appointment of an inspector of fresh fish (printed as House, No. 892), — was read a third time. Fresh fish, — inspector.

Mr. Kearney moved that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft entitled: "An Act to provide for the inspection of fish offered for sale at wholesale" (Senate, No. 454).

Pending this amendment and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Weston.

House bill. The House Bill directing the Secretary of the Commonwealth to furnish certain books and documents to the town of Medway (House, No. 1537); and

House resolve. The House Resolve providing for the payment of a sum of money to James V. Hennessey of Concord (House, No. 1529);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Foreign insurance companies.

The House Bill relative to effecting insurance in foreign companies not authorized to issue policies in this Commonwealth (House, No. 1557), — was read a third time. On motion of Mr. Nichols, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday.

House reports. The House reports

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 902) of George H. Wyman and others relative to loans and investments of coöperative banks and to provide for the issuance of certain paid-up certificates;

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 204) of Martin Hays for a reorganization of the board of election commissioners of the city of Boston;

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 963) of Ralph Adams Cram for the construction by the city of Boston of a highway from Eliot Street to Church Green and for the relocating and widening of Bedford Street from Kingston Street to Church Green;

Of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 663) of John R. Nelson relative to the abatement by the State Department of Health of the nuisance now existing at Spectacle Island in Boston Harbor;

Of the committee on Public Health, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the State Department of Health (House, No. 1145) as was considered by the committee (accompanied by bills and resolve, House, Nos. 1147 to 1151, inclusive);

Of the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the State Department of Health of prosecutions and expenditures under the laws relative to adulterated drugs and food (House, No. 1475);

Of the committee on Public Institutions, no legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the State Board of Charity (House, No. 849) as relates to the approval of the incorporation of charitable corporations (accompanied by bill, House, No. 851);

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 526) of Jeremiah P. Keating that cities and towns be reimbursed for expenses incurred in prosecuting persons for violating laws relating to motor-vehicles; and

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1252) of Cornelius F. Haley relative to the improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of Central Street in the town of Rowley;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Jackson, at twenty-five minutes past four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, April 15, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*State boards
and commis-
sions, — recom-
mendations.Roxbury
municipal
court, —
clerical
assistance.Worcester
State Hospital,
— sewerage
system.State Board
of Labor and
Industries, —
additional
inspectors.Boston, —
court officer of
Dorchester
municipal
court.Adjutant
General's
department, —
salaries.Commissioner
of Standards,
— salaries of
inspection
force.Town of
Acoaxet, —
incorporation.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill relative to the filing by State boards and commissions of recommendations and suggestions for legislative action (House, No. 1565), ought to pass; and

By Mr. McLane, for the same committee, that the House Bill relative to clerical assistance in the office of the clerk of the municipal court for the Roxbury district of the city of Boston (printed as Senate, No. 50); and

The House Bill relative to the payment of rental by the trustees of the Worcester State Hospital to the city of Worcester for the use of its sewerage system (House, No. 1566), — severally, ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Hastings, for the committee on Public Service, on the petition of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor, by Charles J. Hodsdon, a Bill to authorize the appointment of additional inspectors of the State Board of Labor and Industries (Senate, No. 120, — changed in section 1, by striking out, in line 2, the word "six", and inserting in place thereof the word "four");

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of John A. Anderson, a Bill to establish the salary of the court officer of the municipal court of the Dorchester district of the city of Boston (printed as House, No. 284);

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on so much of the recommendations of the Adjutant General (House, No. 319), as relates thereto, a Bill relative to salaries in the department of the Adjutant General (printed as House, No. 320); and

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on so much of the recommendations of the Commissioner of Standards (House, No. 441) as relates thereto, a Bill to establish the salaries of the inspection force of the Commissioner of Standards (printed as House, No. 442);

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Tarbell, for the committee on Towns, on the petition of Philip M. Wheeler and others, a Bill to set off a part of the town of Westport and to incorporate the same as the town of Acoaxet (printed as House, No. 140) (Messrs. Reed and Win-

chester, of the Senate, and Messrs. Osborne, Marsh, Ollendorff and Taylor, of the House, dissenting); and

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of Michael Cashman and another, a Bill to set off a part of the town of Salisbury and to incorporate the same as the town of Salisbury Beach (printed as House, No. 141) (Mr. Reed, of the Senate, and Messrs. Osborne, Marsh, Ollendorff and Davis, of the House, dissenting);

Town of
Salisbury
Beach, —
incorporation.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches with reference to the House Bill making appropriations for the maintenance of departments, boards, commissions, institutions and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements (House, No. 1413), — recommending that the House recede from its non-concurrence in the following amendments and concur therein:

Committee of
conference, —
State budget.

Striking out, in Item 257, the words "eighty-four thousand", and inserting in place thereof the words "ninety thousand";

Striking out, in Item 258, the words "fifty-nine thousand five hundred", and inserting in place thereof the words "sixty-two thousand"; and

Striking out, in Item 376, the words "eighty-two thousand five hundred", and inserting in place thereof the words "eighty-three thousand three hundred"; and

That the Senate recede from the following amendments:

Striking out, in Item 499, the word "twenty-two", and inserting in place thereof the word "twenty-four"; and striking out, in Item 500, the word "one", and inserting in place thereof the word "five";

Read and, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McLane, considered forthwith, and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended on further motion of Mr. McLane.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Beck moved that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had accepted, in concurrence, the House Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 793) of George C. Fitzpatrick for compensation for the taking of land for the Jeffries Point improvement in East Boston; and the further consideration of this motion was postponed until the next session, on motion of the same Senator.

George C.
Fitzpatrick, —
land in
East Boston.

Petitions.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows:

By Mr. Beck, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 456) of John E. Beck for changes in the charter of the city of

Chelsea, —
filing of
referendum
petitions.

Chelsea, especially with relation to the filing of referendum petitions;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by the same Senator, to the committee on Cities.

Boston and
Maine Rail-
road, — opera-
tion of certain
laws.

By Mr. Hobbs, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 455) of Woodward Hudson for an extension of time for the operation of certain provisions of law relative to the Boston and Maine Railroad;

Under a suspension of the 12th and 9th joint rules, moved by the same Senator, to the committee on Railroads, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Order Adopted.

Mr. Beck offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit:—

Joint
committees, —
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which joint committees are required, under the provisions of the 10th joint rule, to make final report upon all matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended to Wednesday, April 23.

Subsequently, the same Senator, for the joint committee on Rules, reported that the order ought to be adopted; and it was considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, further moved by Mr. Beck, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts.

Soldiers' Home
in Massa-
chusetts.

The President appointed Messrs. Beck and Reed as the members to serve on the part of the Senate on the joint special committee to examine the buildings at the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts.

Sent down to be joined.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Widow of
Irving B.
Harding.

A Resolve in favor of the widow of Irving B. Harding (House, No. 1538, — on the petition of George Lyman Rogers, accompanied by resolve, House, No. 958), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Fruits, vege-
tables and
nuts, — sale.

A Bill relative to the sale of fruits, vegetables and nuts (House, No. 1567, amended, — on the petition of Christian Nelson and others, accompanied by bill, House, No. 487); and

Resolves

State officials
and employees,
— bonds.

Relative to bonds required by certain officials and employees of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1585, — on the report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General, the Auditor and the Attorney-General relative thereto, Senate, No. 26); and

Taunton, —
family of Mary
Jane Flynn.

To authorize the city of Taunton to pay a sum of money to the family of Mary Jane Flynn (House, No. 1586, — on the

petition of said city, by John B. Tracy, city solicitor, accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 381);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

A Bill to authorize the town of Natick to pay a certain sum of money to the widow of Howard L. Frost (House, No. 1564, on the petition of the selectmen of said town), — was read. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Weston, and the bill was read a second time and a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Natick, —
widow of
Howard L.
Frost.

Reports

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 409) of Edward A. Counihan, Jr., that William T. Anderson may be reinstated in the fire department of the city of Cambridge;

Cambridge, —
reinstatement
of William T.
Anderson.

Of the committee on Counties, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 910) of Richard E. Warner and another, county commissioners, relative to the purchase of land and the construction of buildings in the county of Bristol for the confinement of prisoners;

Bristol County,
— land and
buildings for
prison
purposes.

Of the committee on Education, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the trustees of the Lowell Textile School (House, No. 1383);

Lowell Textile
School, —
annual report.

Of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 512) of Jeremiah P. Keating for extra allowances for certain State employees; and

State
institutions, —
allowances for
resident
engineers.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1240) of John P. Englert and others that honorably discharged soldiers and sailors shall not be barred from employment under the civil service on account of conviction for crime;

Soldiers and
sailors, — civil
service.

Of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw (because of failure to comply with the provisions of Joint Rule No. 7A), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 841) of Edward T. Ryan that he be reinstated in the police department of the town of Arlington; and

Arlington, —
reinstatement
of Edward
T. Ryan.

Of the committee on Waterways and Terminals, reference to the next General Court:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 252) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, that a Commission on Foreign and Domestic Commerce be established; and

Commission
on Foreign
and Domestic
Commerce.

On so much of the recommendations of the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands (House, No. 432) as relates to authorizing said commission to acquire by purchase or otherwise the location, tracks and trackage rights and privileges of the Union Freight Railroad Company in Boston (accompanied by bill, House, No. 434);

Union Freight
Railroad
Company in
Boston,
State control.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Auditor's
department, —
salary of
messenger.

Notice was received from the House that the Bill to establish the salary of the messenger in the department of the Auditor of the Commonwealth (House, No. 103, introduced on leave), — had been rejected by the House.

The following House order (based on the preliminary report of the Supervisor of Administration, House, No. 1569), was adopted, in concurrence: —

Supervisor of
Administration,
— report on
department of
Civil Service
Commission.

Ordered, That the time within which the Supervisor of Administration is required to report, under a joint order of the two branches, relative to the conduct, methods and practices of the department of the Civil Service Commission, be extended to April 25.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

Relative to the hours of employment of women and children;
Relative to the listing of voters in the town of Watertown;
Relative to death benefits of the Boston Police Relief Association;

To authorize the town of Rockland to pension Thomas F. Kendrigan;

To provide for a record of Massachusetts soldiers and sailors in the present war;

To authorize the city of Boston to pay an annuity to the widow of Thomas H. Lynch;

To authorize the town of Athol to borrow money for the purpose of erecting a town hall;

Authorizing the city of Holyoke to pay a sum of money to the widow of Michael H. Gilligan;

Authorizing the city of Holyoke to pay a sum of money to the next of kin of William J. Mays;

Relative to reinstatement of soldiers and sailors in county retirement systems for employees;

To authorize the First Parish Church in Dorchester to convey its property to the First Parish in Dorchester; and

To authorize the town of Middleborough to take over the properties and liabilities of the Middleborough Fire District.

The following engrossed resolves (both of which originated in the House) were severally passed and, with the above-named bills, were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Resolves
passed, etc.

Providing for a report by the State Department of Health relative to the pollution of the Charles River; and

Directing the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands to estimate the cost of making certain improvements in Belle Isle Inlet.

Engrossed Bill Rejected.

Gas, electric
and water
companies, —
depreciation.

An engrossed Bill relative to provision for depreciation by gas, electric and water companies (which originated in the Senate) (see Senate, No. 415), — was put upon its final passage; and it was rejected.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Report of the committee on Water Supply, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 843) of Roscoe Walsworth and another that the city of Revere be authorized to discontinue supplying water to the town of Saugus, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of Mr. Jackson.

Revere, —
water supply
for Saugus.

The House Report of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 49) of the Medical Liberty League, Inc., that the compulsory vaccination law be repealed, — was accepted, in concurrence.

Compulsory
vaccination,
— abolition.

The Senate Bill to prohibit the exhibition of motion pictures on the Lord's Day in theatres or other places of public amusement (printed as House, No. 1070, changed), — was considered; and the Senate refused to order it to a third reading, by a vote of 7 to 16.

Lord's Day, —
motion
pictures.

The Senate Bill to provide for the appointment of an inspector of fresh fish (printed as House, No. 892), — was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Fresh fish, —
inspector.

The Senate adopted the pending amendment, previously moved by Mr. Kearney, — that a new draft entitled: "An Act to provide for the inspection of fish offered for sale at wholesale" (Senate, No. 454), be substituted; and, accordingly, the new draft was substituted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 454), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The Bill relative to the reserve to be carried on life insurance policies (Senate, No. 441), — was considered; and the question on ordering the bill to a third reading was determined as follows, to wit: —

Life insurance
companies, —
reserve.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.

Messrs. Halliwell, John
Jackson, George H.
Knox, Joseph O.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Perrin, Harold L.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Walsh, John J. — 19.

NAYS.

Messrs. Churchill, George B.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Loring, Augustus P.

Messrs. Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S. — 8.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

NAYS.

Mr. Edward B. Eames,
Mr. Edward N. Dahlborg,
Mr. Charles D. Brown,
Mr. David S. McIntosh,

Mr. Thomas Weston, Jr. (present).
Mr. Walter A. Hardy (present).
Mr. George D. Chamberlain (present).
Mr. Charles L. Gifford (present).—8.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Hardy, Leonard F.
Kearney, John J.

Messrs. Tarbell, Warren E.
Winchester, Charles A.—4.

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Mutual fire
insurance
companies.

The Bill to grant to mutual fire insurance companies chartered by the Commonwealth equal opportunities as are now granted by the Commonwealth to stock fire insurance companies of other States and countries (printed as House, No. 194), — was ordered to a third reading.

Feeble-minded
persons, —
supervision
and control.

The Senate Report of the committee on Public Institutions, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the recommendations of the Commission on Mental Diseases (House, No. 392) as relates to providing further supervision, care and control of the neglected, dangerous or uncontrolled feeble-minded persons in the community (see House, No. 394), — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Churchill.

State high-
ways, — pass-
able for motor-
vehicles during
winter months.

The Senate Report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 14) of George A. Hastings that the Massachusetts Highway Commission be authorized to keep certain highways on main through routes passable for motor-vehicles during the winter months, — was considered; and, pending the amendment previously moved by Mr. Hastings, and pending the main question on accepting the report, it was recommitted to the said committee, on motion of Mr. Hastings, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule, moved by the same Senator.

Sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the 5th joint rule.

Paper mills
operating day
and night, —
hours of labor.

The Bill to regulate the hours of labor of certain employees in paper mills operating day and night (House, No. 262), — was considered; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Hardy of Worcester.

Indigent
soldiers and
sailors, —
burial.

The House Bill relative to the amount to be allowed for the burial of indigent soldiers and sailors (House, No. 649), — was considered, the question being on rejecting the bill, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means.

The Senate refused to reject the bill; and, accordingly, under the rule, it was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

The House Bill relative to the sale of materials used in the Mattresses. manufacture of mattresses and similar articles (House, No. 1568), — was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The bills

To authorize the city of Boston to make additional appropria- Bills. tions for municipal purposes, and for the repair and reconstruction of streets for the current financial year (Senate, No. 452);

Relative to the payment of fees for the inspection of boilers and air tanks (House, No. 872);

To authorize the city of Boston to pay an annuity to the widow of Thomas J. Stevens (House, No. 1521, changed); and

To authorize the city of Malden to pay a sum of money to the widow of Samuel Tilden (House, No. 1522, changed);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relative to the qualifications of members of the investment boards of savings banks (Senate, No. 453), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Counihan, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday. Savings banks, — investment boards.

The Senate Bill relative to clerical assistance for the registers of probate and insolvency for the counties of Barnstable, Franklin and Hampshire (Senate, No. 200) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Senate bill.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House bills

To authorize the city of Boston to pay a certain claim of the Atlas Construction Company (House, No. 570, changed) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); House bills.

Relative to the reinstatement of Dennis D. Driscoll as deputy commissioner of the penal institutions department of the city of Boston (House, No. 1556); and

Relative to the care and preservation of lots, tombs and monuments in cemeteries (House, No. 1582);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Bill to establish the salary of the mayor of the city of Pittsfield (House, No. 1550), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments previously adopted by the Senate, which were sent down for concurrence. Pittsfield, — salary of mayor.

The House Bill relative to the employment of veterans in the service of the Commonwealth, cities or towns (House, No. 1581), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 1, by striking out, in lines 6 and 7, the words "is a citizen of this Commonwealth or hereafter acquires a settlement herein", and inserting in place thereof the words "was a citizen of this Commonwealth at the time of his Veterans in employ of State and municipalities.

induction into such service or has since acquired a settlement therein"; and in section 3, by striking out, in line 15, the words "this chapter", and inserting in place thereof the words "chapter nineteen of the Revised Laws and amendments".

These amendments were adopted.

Mr. Beck moved that the bill be further amended by striking out section 5 and inserting in place thereof the following:—
 "SECTION 5. A veteran shall, as to all promotions in the civil service, be entitled to a preference of five per cent to be added to his general percentage, but except as provided in this section, this act shall not affect promotions in said service, nor shall it affect the preference given under existing law to veterans of the civil war."

Pending this amendment and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments adopted by the Senate, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Chamberlain.

The Senate reports

Senate reports.

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 47) of George E. Curran that a public fish market and pier be established at or near Warren Bridge in the city of Boston;

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 154) of Frank Lewis, Fire Prevention Commissioner, relative to the better prevention of fires throughout the metropolitan district; and

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 124) of Martin Hays relative to the indebtedness and finances of the city of Boston;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Boston, —
taxes.

The Senate Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 214) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to taxes in the said city, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Mahoney.

Id.

The Senate Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 232) of John J. Mahoney that the statutory limit on the rate of taxation in the city of Boston be abolished and that said city be permitted to fix its own tax rate, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Mahoney.

Id.

The Senate Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 233) of John J. Mahoney that the limit on the rate of taxation in the city of Boston be abolished and that said city be authorized to borrow money without enabling legislation, — was

considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Mahoney.

The House Report of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on the special report of the State Department of Health relative to the improvement of Hale's Brook in the city of Lowell (House, No. 1335), — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of Mr. Colburn.

Hale's Brook
in Lowell, —
improvement.

The House Report of the joint committee on Ways and Means, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 382) of D. Gardiner O'Keefe and another that provision be made for the relief of the widow and family of the late Allen A. David, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of Mr. Weston.

Widow of
Allen A.
David.

The House reports

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (recommitted) (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 153) of David R. Radovsky relative to licensing and regulating the operation of motor-vehicles; House reports.

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 973) of Frank Mulveny for an appropriation to be used by the State Department of Health in connection with the control, suppression and treatment of Spanish influenza and pneumonia;

Of the committee on Public Service, no legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the Homestead Commission (House, No. 1152) as relates to authorizing said commission to employ a secretary (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1154);

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 817) of Roswell L. Wood and another that the assistant chiefs of the fire department of the city of Haverhill be placed under civil service; and

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1239) of the Wardens' and Matrons' Association of Massachusetts that the civil service law and rules be extended to superintendents of town almshouses, homes or farms;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Beck, at twenty-three minutes before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, April 16, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

Berkshire
County, —
clerical assist-
ance for
register of
probate and
insolvency.
Worcester
County, —
retirement
system for
employees.

By Mr. Churchill, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill relative to clerical assistance for the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Berkshire (Senate, No. 303), ought to pass; and

By Mr. McLane, for the same committee, that the House Bill relative to the retirement system for employees of the county of Worcester (House, No. 1583), ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Auction sales
of certain per-
sonal property.

By Mr. Walsh, for the committee on Legal Affairs, on the petition of John D. Hughes and others (accompanied by bill, House, No. 263), a Bill relative to sales at auction of personal property (Senate, No. 458); and

Tree wardens
in towns.

By Mr. Reed, for the committee on Towns, on the petition of Arthur E. Seagrave (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 38), a Bill to provide for the appointment of tree wardens in certain towns (Senate, No. 457);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Watertown, —
North Beacon
Street.

By Mr. Smith, for the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Watertown, a Bill to provide for paying a portion of the cost of construction and surfacing of North Beacon Street in the town of Watertown (printed as House, No. 643);

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Dipsomaniacs,
— commitment
and transfer.

By Mr. Walsh, for the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 777) of Albert J. Sargent and another relative to the commitment and transfer of dipsomaniacs and others;

Middlesex
County, —
messenger of
court of
probate and
insolvency.

By Mr. Loring, for the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 513) of Edwin D. Sibley that the salary of the messenger of the court of probate and insolvency for the county of Middlesex be increased; and

State Board
of Labor and
Industries, —
inspectors.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1376) of Dennis F. Reardon that the number of inspectors

of the State Board of Labor and Industries be increased and that temporary inspectors be made permanent;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Cavanagh moved that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had refused to order to a third reading the Senate Bill to prohibit the exhibition of motion pictures on the Lord's Day in theatres or other places of public amusement (printed as House, No. 1070, changed).

Lord's Day, —
motion
pictures.

The same Senator moved that the further consideration of the motion to reconsider be postponed until the following Monday; and this motion was negatived, by a vote of 7 to 17.

The motion to reconsider was negatived.

Petition.

Mr. Jackson presented a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 459) of George H. Jackson that the amount available for school purposes in the city of Lynn may be increased; and the petition was referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by the same Senator, to the committee on Cities.

Lynn, —
money avail-
able for school
purposes.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Relative to war allowances for dependents of certain soldiers, sailors and marines (House, No. 1509, — on the petition of B. L. Young, accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 1284 and 1285); and

Soldiers, sailors
and marines, —
war allowances
for dependents.

To provide for State and military aid and soldiers' relief for persons in the military or naval service of the United States in the war with Germany and for their dependents (House, No. 1510, — on so much of the Governor's Address, Senate, No. 1, as relates thereto; on the petition of Peter F. Sullivan, accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 195; on so much of the recommendations of the Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions, House, No. 415, as relates thereto, see House, No. 418; and on the petition of Frederick S. Deitrick and another, accompanied by bill, House, No. 495);

Soldiers and
sailors and
their de-
pendents, —
State and
military aid.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill relative to the registration of deaths in institutions (House, No. 1573, — on so much of the twenty-seventh annual report of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, Pub. Doc. No. 46, as relates thereto), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Institutions,
— deaths.

A Report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 110) of Arthur L. Nason for regulating the installation and

Slot-machines
and similar
devices.

maintenance of slot-machines and other automatic vending devices (Mr. Foley, of the Senate, and Messrs. Odlin, Hickey and Reardon, of the House, dissenting), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Pittsfield, —
widows of
Michael F.
Condrón and
Frank Bartell.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1602) of Charles R. Foote that the city of Pittsfield be authorized to pay a sum of money to the widows of Michael F. Condrón and Frank Bartell; and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Cities.

Emergency Preambles Adopted.

Soldiers' and
Sailors'
Commission.

An engrossed Bill to establish the Soldiers' and Sailors' Commission (see Senate, No. 426, amended), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 35.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.

Messrs. Hardy, Leonard F.
Perrin, Harold L. — 4.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.
Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Forest-fire
observation
towers.

An engrossed Bill to authorize cities and towns to erect forest-fire observation towers (see bill printed as House, No. 1328), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 36.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.

Mr. Leonard F. Hardy. — 3.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

An engrossed Bill to provide for the operation and sale of certain farm machinery by the State Department of Agriculture (see House, No. 1447, amended), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

State Department of Agriculture, — farm machinery.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 35.

NAYS. — 0.

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ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.

Messrs. Hardy, Leonard F.
Knox, Joseph O. — 4.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Commission
on Foreign
and Domestic
Commerce.

An engrossed Bill to establish the Commission on Foreign and Domestic Commerce (see House, No. 1544), amended, — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 35.

NAY.

Mr. Silas D. Reed. — 1.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.

Mr. Leonard F. Hardy. — 3.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To establish the compensation and mileage of jurors;

Relative to fire and life insurance policies issued in violation of law;

Relative to extensions of the locations of gas and electric companies;

Authorizing the city of Medford to retire and pension George D. Cummings;

Relative to reinsurance and to the amount that may be written on any one risk;

Relative to Dry Dock Avenue in the South Boston district of the city of Boston;

To provide for the erection and maintenance of a public building in the city of Lowell in memory of soldiers and sailors; and

To change the time for the May term of the Superior Court for civil business for the county of Plymouth, sitting in Brockton.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Bill to provide for the inspection of fish offered for sale at wholesale (Senate, No. 454), — was passed to be engrossed. Inspection of fish.
Sent down for concurrence.

The Bill to regulate the hours of labor of certain employees in paper mills operating day and night (House, No. 262), — was considered; and the question on ordering the bill to a third reading was determined as follows, to wit: — Paper mills, — hours of labor.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Finkel, Samuel B.

Messrs. Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Kearney, John J.
Mahoney, John J.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 15.

NAYS.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Curtin, John A.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.

Messrs. Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 17.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. Arthur L. Nason (present),
Mr. Walter E. McLane (present),

NAYS.

Mr. Malcolm E. Nichols.
Mr. Leonard F. Hardy. — 4.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.

Mr. David S. McIntosh. — 3.

So the Senate refused to order the bill to a third reading.

The House Bill relative to the employment of veterans in the service of the Commonwealth, cities or towns (House, No. 1581), — was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, previously adopted by the Senate. Veterans in employ of State and municipalities.

The following amendment, previously moved by Mr. Beck, was considered, to wit: — Strike out section 5 and insert in place thereof the following: — “SECTION 5. A veteran shall, as to all promotions in the civil service, be entitled to a preference of five per cent to be added to his general percentage, but except as provided in this section, this act shall not affect promotions in said service, nor shall it affect the preference given under existing law to veterans of the civil war.”

The question on adopting the amendment was determined as follows, to wit:

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
Nason, Arthur L.
Prescott, Francis
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 25.

NAYS.

Messrs. Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Curtin, John A.
Nichols, Malcolm E.

Messrs. Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S. — 5.

YEAS.

Mr. Samuel B. Finkel (present),
Mr. Edward N. Dahlborg,

PAIRED.

NAYS.

Mr. Harold L. Perrin.
Mr. Walter E. McLane (present). — 4.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Eames, Edward B.

Messrs. Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F. — 5.

So the amendment was adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the several amendments, which were sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck.

George C.
Fitzpatrick.

By a vote of 3 to 8, the Senate refused to reconsider the vote by which it had accepted, in concurrence, the House Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 793) of George C. Fitzpatrick for compensation for the taking of land for the Jeffries Point improvement in East Boston.

Town of
Acoaxet, —
incorporation.

The Senate Bill to set off a part of the town of Westport and to incorporate the same as the town of Acoaxet (printed as House, No. 140), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. McLane, the bill was referred to the next General Court.

The Senate Bill to set off a part of the town of Salisbury and to incorporate the same as the town of Salisbury Beach (printed as House, No. 141), — was read a second time.

Town of
Salisbury
Beach, —
Incorporation.

Mr. Brown moved that the bill be referred to the next General Court.

Mr. Hobbs moved that the bill be amended as follows: —

In section 2, by adding at the end thereof the words "In the distribution of taxes for the year nineteen hundred and twenty, under section twenty-three of chapter two hundred sixty-nine of the General Acts of the year nineteen hundred and sixteen and amendments thereto, the Treasurer and Receiver-General shall pay to the town of Salisbury an amount equal to the difference between the amount of the tax levied upon personal property in the year nineteen hundred and sixteen in that part of the said town which then constitutes said town and the amount computed by the Tax Commissioner that would be produced by a tax upon the personal property actually assessed in said town for the year nineteen hundred and twenty, at the same rate of taxation which prevailed in the town of Salisbury in the year nineteen hundred and nineteen and shall pay to the town of Salisbury Beach an amount equal to the difference between the amount of the tax levied upon personal property in that part of the town of Salisbury which is then the town of Salisbury Beach in the year nineteen hundred and sixteen and the amount computed by the Tax Commissioner that would be produced by a tax upon the personal property actually assessed in the town of Salisbury Beach for the year nineteen hundred and twenty, at the same rate of taxation which prevailed in the town of Salisbury in the year nineteen hundred and nineteen;"

In section 5, by striking out, in line 7, the word "sixteen", and inserting in place thereof the word "nineteen";

In section 7, by striking out the last sentence and inserting in place thereof the words: — "The town clerk of the town of Salisbury shall, before said meeting, prepare a list of voters in the town of Salisbury Beach qualified to vote at the meeting and shall deliver the same to the person presiding at the meeting before the choice of a moderator.";

By striking out section 8, and inserting in place thereof the following new section: "SECTION 8. For the year nineteen hundred and nineteen the officers of the town of Salisbury in office on the first day of May in that year, shall, both for the town of Salisbury and the town of Salisbury Beach, exercise the powers and perform the duties conferred and imposed by law upon such officers and they shall continue to provide for both the town of Salisbury and the town of Salisbury Beach for said year to the same extent as if said town of Salisbury Beach had continued to be a part of said town of Salisbury during said year; and they shall continue so to act after the expiration of the said year for the town of Salisbury until their successors are chosen and qualified and for the town of Salisbury Beach until the officers of that town are elected. Section four hundred thirty of Part V of chapter eight hundred thirty-five of the Acts of

the year nineteen hundred and thirteen shall not apply to this act. The said towns shall call special meetings for the purpose of choosing a committee for the apportionment of the assets and liabilities as provided by section five of this act. The town clerk of the town of Salisbury shall furnish a list of the registered voters residing within the territorial limits of the town of Salisbury and the town of Salisbury Beach, which list shall be used at the said meetings. The town clerk of the town of Salisbury shall keep an accurate record of the transactions of the town-meetings of Salisbury and of Salisbury Beach for the calendar year nineteen hundred and nineteen. The said town officers shall provide for all primaries and elections to be held in the town of Salisbury and in the town of Salisbury Beach in the year nineteen hundred and nineteen and for this purpose shall cause to be prepared lists of the registered voters residing within the territorial limits of the towns of Salisbury and Salisbury Beach, respectively. Under the provisions of section seven of this act, the town-meeting shall be held in the month of January in the year nineteen hundred and twenty, for the purpose of electing town officers of the town of Salisbury Beach as required by law, who shall serve until the annual town-meeting in nineteen hundred and twenty-one, or until their successors are elected and qualified, and for making the necessary appropriations for carrying on the work of the town for the ensuing year. The town clerk of the town of Salisbury shall furnish a list of the registered voters residing within the territorial limits of Salisbury Beach, which list shall be used at said meeting and delivered to the person presiding at said meeting before the choice of a moderator.”;

By striking out section 10 and inserting in place thereof the following new section: — “SECTION 10. The town of Salisbury shall pay all the expense of making the necessary surveys and establishing the lines between it and the town of Salisbury Beach and the town of Salisbury Beach shall in nineteen hundred and twenty reimburse the town of Salisbury for said expense.”;

By inserting after section 11 the following new sections: —

“SECTION 12. All indebtedness of the town of Salisbury outstanding at the date of the passage of this act shall be deemed outside the limit of indebtedness as fixed by chapter seven hundred and nineteen of the Acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen.”

“SECTION 13. The debt limit of the town of Salisbury for the years nineteen hundred and twenty, nineteen hundred and twenty-one and nineteen hundred and twenty-two shall be three per cent of the assessed valuation of the taxable property in the town as fixed by the assessors in the year nineteen hundred and nineteen, exclusive of the value of that property set off as the town of Salisbury Beach by the provisions of this act. The debt limit of the town of Salisbury Beach for the years nineteen hundred and twenty, nineteen hundred and twenty-one and nineteen hundred and twenty-two shall be three per cent of the assessed valuation of the taxable property in the territory set off from the town of Salisbury as the town of Salisbury Beach as fixed by the assessors

for the town of Salisbury in the year nineteen hundred and nineteen. For the year nineteen hundred and twenty-three and thereafter the debt limit for the town of Salisbury and the town of Salisbury Beach shall be the same as for all other towns in the Commonwealth."

"SECTION 14. The towns of Salisbury and Salisbury Beach may borrow in anticipation of the revenue of the year nineteen hundred and twenty an amount not exceeding in the aggregate the amount of the total tax levy in the town of Salisbury for the year nineteen hundred and nineteen, plus the bank, corporation, street railway and income taxes received from the State in the year nineteen hundred and nineteen. Said amount shall be apportioned between the towns of Salisbury and Salisbury Beach in the proportion that the valuation of the territory in the respective towns bears to the total valuation of the town of Salisbury as fixed by the assessors of said town for the year nineteen hundred and nineteen."

"SECTION 15. For the purpose of paying the award made in accordance with the provisions of this act, the town of Salisbury or Salisbury Beach is hereby authorized to borrow within the statutory limit of indebtedness a sum of money not exceeding such award, and to issue bonds or notes therefor, said bonds or notes to be payable in accordance with the provisions of section fourteen of chapter seven hundred and nineteen of the Acts of nineteen hundred and thirteen, so that the whole debt shall be paid in not more than ten years from the date of issue of the first bond or note."

Pending these amendments (see Senate, No. 461) and the motion that the bill be referred to the next General Court, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed, on motion of Mr. Hobbs, by a vote of 16 to 6, until the following Tuesday.

The Bill relative to the sale of fruits, vegetables and nuts Fruits, vegetables and nuts. (House, No. 1567, amended), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Beck, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session.

The bills

Relative to clerical assistance in the office of the Clerk of the Municipal Court for the Roxbury district of the city of Boston Bills. (printed as Senate, No. 50);

Relative to the amount to be allowed for the burial of indigent soldiers and sailors (House, No. 649);

Relative to the filing by State boards and commissions of recommendations and suggestions for legislative action (House, No. 1565); and

Relative to the payment of rental by the trustees of the Worcester State Hospital to the city of Worcester for the use of its sewerage system (House, No. 1566); and

The resolves

Relative to bonds required by certain officials and employees Resolve. of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1585); and

Resolve.

To authorize the city of Taunton to pay a sum of money to the family of Mary Jane Flynn (House, No. 1586);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Boston, —
tax limit.

The Senate Bill to authorize the city of Boston to make additional appropriations for municipal purposes, and for the repair and reconstruction of streets for the current financial year (Senate, No. 452), — was read a third time and was amended, on motion of Mr. Smith, by adding the following new section: "SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage."

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mutual fire
insurance
companies.

The Senate Bill to grant to mutual fire insurance companies chartered by the Commonwealth equal opportunities as are now granted by the Commonwealth to stock fire insurance companies of other States and countries (printed as House, No. 194), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft entitled: "An Act relative to the powers of mutual fire insurance companies" (Senate, No. 462).

This amendment was adopted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 462), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Minors, —
admission to
places of
amusement.

The Senate Bill relative to the admission of children under sixteen years of age to places of amusement (printed as House, No. 997), — was read a third time. On motion of Mr. Curran, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday.

Boilers and
air tanks, —
fees for
inspection.

The House Bill relative to the payment of fees for the inspection of boilers and air tanks (House, No. 872), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out sections 2 and 3.

These amendments were adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

Imitation
furs.

The House Bill relative to the sale or exchange of manufactured imitations of the furs of fur-bearing animals (House, No. 1071), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out, in line 2, the word "manufactures"; and by striking out, in line 6, the word "as", and inserting in place thereof the words "representing the same to be,".

These amendments were adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill relative to the bonds required of certain officials and employees of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1528), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft entitled: "An Act relative to the form of the bonds required of certain officials and employees" (Senate, No. 460);

State officials
and employees,
— bonds.

This amendment was adopted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 460), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The House bills

To authorize the city of Boston to pay an annuity to the widow of Thomas J. Stevens (House, No. 1521, changed); and

House bills.

To authorize the city of Malden to pay a sum of money to the widow of Samuel Tilden (House, No. 1522, changed);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House reports

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 409) of Edward A. Counihan, Jr., that William T. Anderson may be reinstated in the fire department of the city of Cambridge;

House reports.

Of the committee on Counties, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 910) of Richard E. Warner and another, county commissioners, relative to the purchase of land and the construction of buildings in the county of Bristol for the confinement of prisoners;

Of the committee on Education, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the trustees of the Lowell Textile School (House, No. 1383);

Of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 512) of Jeremiah P. Keating for extra allowances for certain State employees;

Of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1240) of John P. Englert and others that honorably discharged soldiers and sailors shall not be barred from employment under the civil service on account of conviction for crime;

Of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw (because of failure to comply with the provisions of Joint Rule No. 7A), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 841) of Edward T. Ryan that he be reinstated in the police department of the town of Arlington;

Of the committee on Waterways and Terminals, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 252) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, that a Commission on Foreign and Domestic Commerce be established; and

House report.

Of the committee on Waterways and Terminals, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the recommendations of the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands (House, No. 432) as relates to authorizing said commission to acquire by purchase or otherwise the location, tracks and trackage rights and privileges of the Union Freight Railroad Company in Boston (accompanied by bill, House, No. 434);

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Smith, at fourteen minutes before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, April 17, 1919.

Met according to adjournment, Mr. Finkel in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Bill Recalled from the Governor.

On motion of Mr. Cronin, it was voted that a message be sent to His Excellency the Governor requesting the return to the Senate of the engrossed Bill to provide for the division into day and night forces of permanent members of fire departments (which originated in the Senate) (see Senate, No. 403, amended).

Fire departments, — day and night forces.

Mr. Cronin was appointed the messenger. Subsequently, the bill was returned and was laid before the Senate. There being no objection, on motion of the same Senator, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at a previous session, it had passed the bill to be enacted.

Pending the recurring question on passing the bill to be enacted, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on further motion of Mr. Cronin.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. McLane, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House bills

Relative to war allowances for dependents of certain soldiers, sailors and marines (House, No. 1509); and

Soldiers, sailors and marines, — war allowances for dependents.

To provide for State and military aid and soldiers' relief for persons in the military or naval service of the United States in the war with Germany and for their dependents (House, No. 1510), — severally, ought to pass;

Soldiers and sailors and their dependents, — State and military aid.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Colburn, for the committee on Agriculture, on so much of the Governor's Address (Senate, No. 1) as relates to Agriculture; in part, on the report of the special commission on the sheep industry, agriculture and related matters (Senate, No. 293); and on so much of the recommendations of the State Department of Agriculture (House, No. 328) as relates thereto (see House, No. 329), a Bill to create a division of markets, a dairy division, a division of plant industry and a division of reclamation and soil survey in the State Department of Agriculture, and to codify the agricultural laws (Senate, No. 465);

State Department of Agriculture, — creation of new divisions; codification of agricultural laws.

By Mr. Hastings, for the committee on Public Service, on the petition of Alonzo B. Cook, a Bill relative to the supervisors of accounts in the office of the Auditor of the Commonwealth (printed as House, No. 1439) (Mr. Whitman, of the House, dissenting);

Auditor's department, — supervisors of accounts.

Lowell police
court, —
clerical
assistance.

Industrial
Accident
Board, —
salaries.

Fire Prevention
Commissioner,
— salary.

By Mr. Perrin, for the same committee, on the petition of Arthur W. Colburn, a Bill to provide for clerical assistance in the police court of Lowell (Senate, No. 202);

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of John Halliwell (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 160), a Bill relative to the salaries of the members, secretary and medical adviser of the Industrial Accident Board (Senate, No. 466) (Mr. Whitman, of the House, dissenting); and

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of Frank Lewis, a Bill to establish the salary of the Fire Prevention Commissioner for the metropolitan district (printed as House, No. 128 — changed by the committee by striking out, in line 2, the words "six thousand", and inserting in place thereof the words "forty-five hundred") (Mr. Whitman, of the House, dissenting);

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Cambridge, —
transfer of
park lands.

By Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, that the Bill authorizing the transfer of certain Cambridge park lands to the care and control of the Metropolitan Park Commission and directing said commission to inquire into the expediency of acquiring such care and control over all other municipal park lands within the metropolitan parks district (printed as House, No. 547, taken from the House files), — ought NOT to pass;

Read, and the bill placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on rejecting it.

Dances.

By Mr. Weston, for the committee on Social Welfare, that the recommitted House Bill for the further regulation of public and private dances (House, No. 1515), — ought to pass with an amendment, adding at the end of section 1 the words " , except by employees,";

Read, and the bill placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment pending.

By Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw:

Boston, —
term and elec-
tion of certain
officers.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 205) of Martin Hays relative to the term of office and time of election of certain officers of the city of Boston;

Boston, —
city council.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 206) of James J. Moynihan relative to the election of the city council of Boston; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 956) of James H. Brennan relative to the terms of office of councilmen in the city of Boston; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1086) of Edward J. Cox and others that the city of Boston be divided into districts for the election of members of the city council of said city (Mr. Mahoney, of the Senate, and Messrs. Arnold, Feinburg, Brennan and Costello, of the House, dissenting); and

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1076) of Charles Logue and others relative to the construction of three-story multiple dwellings in the city of Boston;

Boston, —
three-story
multiple
dwellings.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. McLane, the Report of the Board of Education on the educational needs of returned and returning soldiers, sailors and marines (Senate, No. 333), — was taken from the table, and was placed on file.

Soldiers, sailors
and marines, —
educational
needs.

On motions of the same Senator, the opinion of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court relative to the constitutionality of certain provisions of law, enacted and pending, relating to the Boston Elevated Railway Company (Senate, No. 434), — was taken from the table, and was placed on file.

Justices of
Supreme Judicial
Court, —
opinion relative
to Boston Elevated
Railway Company.

On motion of Mr. Beck, the Senate Report of the committee on Public Lighting, no further legislation necessary, on the recommendations of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners (House, No. 350), — was taken from the table; and the report was accepted.

Board of Gas
and Electric
Light Commis-
sioners, —
recommendations.

Sent down for concurrence.

Petitions.

Mr. Kearney presented a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 463) of John J. McCarthy relative to the issue of certain liquor licenses for any part of the license year beginning in 1919; and the petition was referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. Beck, to the committee on Legal Affairs.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
licenses for
part of year.

Mr. Jackson presented a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 464) of Fred E. Barrett that he be compensated for the loss of an eye as the result of an accident due to negligence of an employee of the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board; and the petition was referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. Beck, to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs;

Fred E.
Barrett, —
compensation
for loss of
an eye.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Kearney presented a petition for an inquiry into and relief against the increase in domestic rentals.

Domestic
rentals.

The same Senator moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended; and this motion was negatived; and, accordingly, under the said rule, the petition was referred to the next General Court.

Order.

Mr. Kearney offered the following order; and, under the rule, it was referred to the Senate committee on Rules, to wit: —

Ordered, That the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands, and the Public Service Commission, sitting jointly, be directed to

Port of
Boston, —
diversion of
shipping.

inquire into the reasons for the diversion of shipping from the port of Boston, and the possible effect thereon of conditions affecting the railroads, and to report their conclusions, and any remedies that may appear practicable, to the Senate not later than the 15th day of May, 1919.

Motion to Recall a Bill from the House.

Veterans in
State service, —
employment.

Mr. Loring moved that a message be sent to the House requesting the return to the Senate of the House Bill relative to the employment of veterans in the service of the Commonwealth, cities or towns (House, No. 1581, as amended by the Senate); and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Churchill, George B.
Curtin, John A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Loring, Augustus P.

Messrs. Perrin, Harold L.
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 9.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.

Messrs. Halliwell, John
Jackson, George H.
Knox, Joseph O.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 21.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Eames, Edward B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis — 9.

So the motion was negatived.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Abatement
of certain
taxes.

Relative to the abatement of legacy and succession taxes and corporation excise taxes illegally exacted (House, No. 1402, — on so much of the report of the Attorney-General, Pub. Doc. No. 12, as relates thereto); and

Soldiers and
sailors, —
testimonials.

To provide for a testimonial to those residents of Massachusetts who served in the army or navy during the present war (House, No. 1433, — on so much of the Governor's Address, Senate, No. 1, as relates thereto; on the petition of Arthur L. Nason, accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 10; in part on the petition of M. A. O'Brien, accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 71 and 72; on the petition of John J. Carey, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1092; and on the petition of William H. Hearn, accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1093); and

A Resolve providing for a report by the State Department of Health relative to the pollution of Blackstone River (House, No. 1595, — on the petition of Samuel V. Crane and another, accompanied by bill, House, No. 79);

Blackstone River, — pollution.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill to provide for the removal of offensive sewage from Blackstone River by the city of Worcester (House, No. 1575, — on the petition of the selectmen of the town of Millbury and others, accompanied by bill, House, No. 80), — was read and placed in the Orders of the day for the next session for a second reading.

Blackstone River, — purification.

The Senate Bill to regulate increases in the price of gas and electricity (Senate, No. 425, amended), — came up, recommended to the committee on Public Lighting, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule.

Gas and electricity, — increases in price.

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the said rule; and the bill was sent down endorsed accordingly.

Reports

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 778) of John P. Manning relative to the commitment of feeble-minded prisoners by the Superior Court (Mr. Reed, of the Senate, dissenting);

Feeble-minded prisoners, — commitment.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1069) of Robert E. Bigney that provision be made for the licensing of slot-machines and other automatic devices by the Commissioner of Standards (Mr. Foley, of the Senate, and Messrs. Odlin, Hickey and Reardon, of the House, dissenting); and

Slot-machines and similar devices.

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, reference to the next General Court:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 32) of Daniel J. Kiley that certain cities and towns be consolidated into one municipality to be known as Greater Boston (Messrs. Arnold and Brennan, of the House, dissenting); and

Greater Boston.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 263) of James F. Cavanagh for the establishment of a metropolitan police system (Messrs. Arnold and Brennan, of the House, dissenting);

Metropolitan police system.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate Bill relative to the Board of Dental Examiners and to the registration of dentists (Senate, No. 156, changed), had been referred, by the House, to the next General Court.

Dentists, — registration.

House petitions and resolutions were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1590) of the school-committee of the city of Lowell for a commission to provide for

Lowell, — addition to high school building.

constructing an addition to the high school building in said city;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Cities.

Italy at the
Peace Con-
ference.

Resolutions relative to the claims of Italy at the Peace Conference (House, No. 1591);

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Federal Relations.

Soldiers' and
sailors' memo-
rials, —
municipal
appropriations.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1592) of John R. Hudson for the validation of the acts of cities and towns which have made appropriations for soldiers' and sailors' memorials;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Municipal Finance.

Manchester, —
proceedings of
annual
meeting.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1593) of the selectmen that the proceedings of the annual meeting of the town of Manchester be validated;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Towns.

Joint special
committee, —
danger from
fire at the Sol-
diers' Home
in Chelsea.

The House order providing for a joint special committee, to be composed of two members of the Senate and three members of the House of Representatives, to examine the buildings at the Soldiers' Home in Chelsea, in order to determine what danger to the inmates from fire exists in the said buildings or in any one of them, — came up, with the endorsement that Messrs. Pierce of Greenfield, Whidden of Brookline and Flanagan of Lawrence had been joined on the committee, on the part of the House.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first four of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To authorize trust companies having savings departments, savings banks and institutions for savings to place deposits on interest monthly;

To establish a municipal lighting commission for the city of Taunton;

To authorize the town of West Stockbridge to incur indebtedness for certain purposes;

Relative to the amount of insurance which savings and insurance banks may pay upon the death of the insured;

To authorize the conveyance of certain land of the Commonwealth in the town of Westminster;

To authorize the town of Natick to pay a certain sum of money to the widow of Howard L. Frost;

Directing the Secretary of the Commonwealth to furnish certain books and documents to the town of Medway; and

To authorize inspection by the Auditor of the Commonwealth of certain books and records of the Tax Commissioner.

The following engrossed resolves (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed and, with the above-named

bills, were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

To extend the time within which the Commissioners for Consolidating and Arranging the General Laws of the Commonwealth are required to make their final report; and

Resolves passed, etc.

Providing for the payment of a sum of money to James V. Hennessey of Concord.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 517) of James M. Keaney relative to appointments and promotions of police officers in the classified civil service, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Hastings.

Police officers, — civil service status.

The Bill relative to the employment of minors in the operation of elevators (House, No. 826, amended), — was considered; and, pending the motion that the bill be referred to the next General Court, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Weston.

Elevators, — employment of minors.

The Bill to authorize the separation of investment and life insurance (printed as House, No. 473), — was considered; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Hobbs.

Life and investment insurance, — separation.

The Senate Bill relative to the form of the bonds required of certain officials and employees (Senate, No. 460), — was passed to be engrossed.

State officials and employees, — bonds.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill relative to the powers of mutual fire insurance companies (Senate, No. 462), — was passed to be engrossed.

Mutual fire insurance companies.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Smith.

The House Bill relative to effecting insurance in foreign companies not authorized to issue policies in this Commonwealth (House, No. 1557), — was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Foreign insurance companies.

The House Report of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on the special report of the State Department of Health relative to the improvement of Hale's Brook in the city of Lowell (House, No. 1335), — was accepted, in concurrence.

Hale's Brook in Lowell, improvement.

The House Report of the joint committee on Ways and Means, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 382) of D. Gardiner O'Keefe and another that provision be made for the relief of the widow and family of the late Allen A. David, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further considera-

Widow of Allen A. David.

tion thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Reed.

Fruits, vegetables and nuts.

The House Bill relative to the sale of fruits, vegetables and nuts (House, No. 1567, amended), — was considered; and the Senate refused to order it to a third reading.

Assessors, — compensation.

The motion that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at a previous session, it had rejected the House Bill to establish the compensation of assessors (House, No. 174), — was considered; and the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of Mr. Tarbell.

Berkshire County, — clerical assistance for register of probate and insolvency.

The Senate Bill relative to clerical assistance for the registrar of probate and insolvency for the county of Berkshire (Senate, No. 303), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Hastings, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Tree wardens in towns.

The Senate Bill to provide for the appointment of tree wardens in certain towns (Senate, No. 457), — was read a second time; and the Senate refused to order the bill to a third reading.

Auction sales of certain personal property.

The Senate Bill relative to sales at auction of personal property (Senate, No. 458), — was read a second time.

On motions of Mr. Walsh, the 5th joint rule was suspended, and the bill was recommitted to the committee on Legal Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the said rule.

Institutions, — deaths.

The Bill relative to the registration of deaths in institutions (House, No. 1573), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Halliwell, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday.

Bill.

The Bill relative to the retirement system for employees of the county of Worcester (House, No. 1583), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Absent voting.

The Senate Bill to permit absent voters to vote at State elections (Senate, No. 326), — was read a third time, as previously amended; and it was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Life insurance policies, — reserve.

The Senate Bill relative to the reserve to be carried on life insurance policies (Senate, No. 441), — was read a third time. Mr. Counihan, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out section 4.

Pending this amendment and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. McLane.

House bill.

The House Bill relative to clerical assistance in the office of the clerk of the municipal court for the Roxbury district of the city of Boston (printed as Senate, No. 50), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. McLane.

The House bills

Relative to the amount to be allowed for the burial of indigent soldiers and sailors (House, No. 649); and House bills.

Relative to the filing by State boards and commissions of recommendations and suggestions for legislative action (House, No. 1565); and

The House Resolve relative to bonds required of certain public officials and employees (House, No. 1585) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); House resolve.

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Resolve to authorize the city of Taunton to pay a sum of money to the next of kin of Mary Jane Flynn (House, No. 1586) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time and was amended, on motion of Mr. Reed, by striking out, in line 2, the words "one thousand", and inserting in place thereof the words "five hundred". Taunton, —
next of kin of
Mary Jane
Flynn.

The resolve was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 777) of Albert J. Sargent and another relative to the commitment and transfer of dipsomaniacs and others; Senate reports.

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 513) of Edwin D. Sibley that the salary of the messenger of the court of probate and insolvency for the county of Middlesex be increased; and

Of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1376) of Dennis F. Reardon that the number of inspectors of the State Board of Labor and Industries be increased and that temporary inspectors be made permanent;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House Report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 110) of Arthur L. Nason for regulating the installation and maintenance of slot-machines and other automatic vending devices, — was accepted, in concurrence. House report.

On motion of Mr. Mahoney, at ten minutes past four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

FRIDAY, April 18, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Hon. Arthur P. Morrill, President of the Senate of New Hampshire.

Hon. Arthur P.
Morrill, Presi-
dent of the
New Hamp-
shire Senate.

The Honorable Arthur P. Morrill, President of the Senate of New Hampshire, was introduced by the presiding officer and briefly addressed the Senate.

Reports of Committees.

Soldiers and
sailors, —
exemption from
payment of
inheritance
taxes.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill to exempt the estates of soldiers and sailors from the payment of certain inheritance taxes (Senate, No. 449), ought to pass;

Boston, —
storage of gas.

By Mr. McLane, for the same committee, that the Senate Resolve to provide for an investigation relative to the storage of illuminating gas in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 424), ought to pass; and

Essex County,
— beaches.

By Mr. Smith, for the same committee, that the Senate Resolve providing for the appointment of a commission to report on the taking over of certain beaches in the county of Essex (printed as House, No. 256), ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

General Court,
— mileage
allowance for
members and
employees.

By Mr. Churchill, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to regulate the mileage allowance of members of the General Court (Senate, No. 445), ought to pass in a new draft entitled "An Act to regulate the mileage allowance of members and certain employees of the General Court" (Senate, No. 469);

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Clerks of
Courts, —
travelling
expenses.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the House Bill to regulate the travelling expenses of clerks and assistant clerks of courts (House, No. 1115), ought not to pass; and

Persons caring
for orphans, —
payment.

By Mr. McLane, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to authorize the payment of money to persons caring for orphans (printed as House, No. 1256), ought not to pass;

Severally read, and the bills placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question, in each instance, being on rejecting the bill.

Deputy fire
prevention
commissioner,
— salary.

By Mr. Hastings, for the committee on Public Service, on the petition of Michael J. O'Donnell, a Bill relative to the salary of the deputy fire prevention commissioner for the metro-

politan district (printed as House, No. 214, — changed by the committee in section 1, by striking out, in line 2, the word “four”, and inserting in place thereof the word “three”); and

By Mr. Loring, for the same committee, on the report of the Supervisor of Administration (House, No. 1451) relative thereto (in part), a Bill to establish the salaries of court stenographers of the Superior Court of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 467);

Superior Court,
— salaries of
stenographers.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Halliwell, for the committee on Federal Relations, on the recommitted petition of Silas D. Reed (accompanied by resolutions, Senate, No. 255), Resolutions in favor of National military training (Senate, No. 468);

National
military
training.

Read, and the resolutions placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on adopting them.

Petitions.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows:—

By Mr. Walsh, a petition (accompanied by bill, see Senate, No. 458) of Albert T. Wall for legislation authorizing cities and towns to regulate sales of personal property at public auction;

Personal
property,—
sales at
auction.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. McLane, to the committee on Legal Affairs.

By Mr. Walsh, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 470) of John J. Walsh relative to the admission as evidence of records of conviction of soldiers, sailors and marines;

Soldiers, sailors
and marines,—
records of
conviction.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. McLane, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Winchester, —

Ordered, That the Clerk of the Senate, acting in its behalf, be instructed to request by telegraph the Secretary of the President of the United States to send a cable message to the President requesting that he direct the Postmaster-General to invest William R. Driver, Jr., with sufficient authority to settle the New England telephone strike.

New England
telephone
strike.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

To provide for the auditing of accounts of cities and towns by the Director of the Bureau of Statistics (House, No. 1462, — on the petition of B. L. Young, accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 125 and 126; and on the petition of John R. Hudson, accompanied by bill, House, No. 659); and

Municipal
accounts,—
State auditing.

To authorize the purchase of historical works relative to the service of Massachusetts volunteers in the European war (House, No. 1584, — new draft of Senate Bill printed as House, No. 73, amended); and

Soldiers and
sailors,—
historical
works.

State Department of Health,
— report on protection of
Mystic lakes.

A Resolve extending the time for the report of the State Department of Health upon the cost of a sewerage system to prevent the pollution of the Mystic Lakes in the towns of Arlington and Winchester and the city of Medford (printed in House, No. 553, — being the preliminary report of the said department relative thereto);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills

Town clerks and treasurers,
— terms of office.

Relative to the terms of office of town clerks and town treasurers (House, No. 842, changed and amended, — on the petition of William J. Naphen);

Voting-machines, — use.

Relative to the use of voting-machines (House, No. 1038, changed, — on the petition of John R. Hudson); and

Worcester, — money for water supply.

To authorize the city of Worcester to borrow money for the purpose of increasing its water supply (House, No. 1555, on the petition of the mayor and city solicitor of said city);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Pittsfield, — widows of Michael F. Condron and Frank Bartell.

A Bill authorizing the city of Pittsfield to pay a sum of money to the widows of Michael F. Condron and Frank Bartell (House, No. 1602, on the petition of Charles R. Foote), — was read. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Hastings, and the bill was read a second time and a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Gas and electric companies,
— contracts.

The House Bill relative to contracts between gas and electric companies (House, No. 1531), — came up, with the endorsement that the House had non-concurred in the adoption of the Senate amendment inserting after the word "made", in line 1, the words "for more than one year".

On motion of Mr. Nason, the Senate insisted on its amendment; and the bill was sent down endorsed accordingly.

Reports

Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions,
— recommendations.

Of the committee on Public Service, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions (House, No. 415) as relates to providing for certain expenses in the department of said commissioner, and to increasing the salary of the chief clerk and providing that the temporary agents of the department be made permanent (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 416 and 417);

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court:

Civil Service Commission,
— recommendations.

On the recommendations of the Civil Service Commission (House, No. 342) (accompanied by bill, House, No. 343);

Insurance department, — salaries.

On so much of the recommendations of the Insurance Commissioner (House, No. 362) as relates to establishing under the standardization plan the salaries of certain employees of the insurance department (House, No. 375); and

Middlesex and Suffolk registers of probate, —

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1116) of Andrew J. Peters and others relative to payment for clerical

assistance for the registers of probate and insolvency for the counties of Middlesex and Suffolk; and clerical assistance.

Of the committee on Waterways and Terminals, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the recommendations of the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands (House, No. 432) as relates to authorizing the commission to make surveys and plans for estimating the cost of constructing a tunnel in Boston harbor from South Boston to East Boston (accompanied by bill, House, No. 438); South Boston and East Boston, — tunnel under Boston harbor.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Notice was received from the House that the Bill to provide that increases in the price of gas shall not be made unless approved by the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners (House, No. 550, taken from the House files), — had been rejected by the House. Price of gas, — approval of increases.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Bill for the further regulation of public and private dances (House, No. 1515), — was considered; and, pending the amendment recommended by the committee on Social Welfare, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Walsh. Dances.

The Senate Bill relative to the reserve to be carried on life insurance policies (Senate, No. 441), — was amended, as had been recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by striking out section 4. Life insurance policies, — reserve.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The bills

Relative to war allowances for dependents of certain soldiers, sailors and marines (House, No. 1509); Bills.

To provide for State and military aid and soldiers' relief for persons in the military or naval service of the United States in the war with Germany, and for their dependents (House, No. 1510); and

To provide for the removal of offensive sewage from Blackstone River by the city of Worcester (House, No. 1575);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill authorizing the transfer of certain Cambridge park lands to the care and control of the Metropolitan Park Commission and directing said commission to inquire into the expediency of acquiring such care and control over all other municipal park lands within the metropolitan parks district (printed as House, No. 547), — was rejected, as had been recommended by the committee on Metropolitan Affairs. Cambridge, — transfer of park lands.

The Senate reports

Senate reports.

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 205) of Martin Hays relative to the term of office and time of election of certain officers of the city of Boston; and

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1076) of Charles Logue and others relative to the construction of three-story multiple dwellings in the city of Boston;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Boston, —
city council.

The Senate Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 206) of James J. Moynihan relative to the election of the city council of Boston; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 956) of James H. Brennan relative to the terms of office of councilmen in the city of Boston; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1086) of Edward J. Cox and others that the city of Boston be divided into districts for the election of members of the city council of said city, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of Mr. Mahoney.

Feeble-minded
prisoners, —
commitment.

The House Report of the committee on Legal Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 778) of John P. Manning relative to the commitment of feeble-minded prisoners by the Superior Court, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Reed.

Metropolitan
police system.

The House Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 263) of James F. Cavanagh for the establishment of a metropolitan police system, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. McLane.

The House reports

House reports.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1069) of Robert E. Bigney that provision be made for the licensing of slot-machines and other automatic devices by the Commissioner of Standards; and

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 32) of Daniel J. Kiley that certain cities and towns be consolidated into one municipality to be known as Greater Boston;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Cronin, at nineteen minutes past twelve o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, April 21, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Opinion of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court.

The following communication was received from the Honorable the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, to wit: —

To the Honorable the Senate of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

We, the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, have considered the questions upon which our opinion is required by the order of April 2, 1919, a copy of which is hereto annexed, and respectfully submit this opinion:

Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, — admission of certain persons to grand jury room during examination of witnesses.

The first inquiry in substance and effect is whether under the Constitution, the grand jury, upon request of the district attorney or otherwise, may permit to be present at the examination of witnesses in a case a police officer who has prepared such case.

The Constitution by article XII of the Declaration of Rights secures to every person protection against accusation and trial for crimes of great magnitude without an indictment by the grand jury. That protection is afforded by the phrase "the law of the land" in the provision that no person shall be "arrested, imprisoned, despoiled or deprived of his property, immunities or privileges, put out of the protection of the law, exiled or deprived of his life, liberty or estate but by the judgment of his peers or the law of the land." "The law of the land" implies an indictment or presentment by the grand jury in instances to which that proceeding is necessary. The grand jury is an ancient institution. It always has been venerated and highly prized in this country. It has been regarded as the shield of innocence against the plottings of private malice, as the defense of the weak against the oppression of political power, and as the guard of the liberties of the people against the encroachments of unfounded accusations from any source. These blessings accrue from the grand jury because its proceedings are secret and uninfluenced by the presence of those not officially and necessarily connected with it. It has been the practice for more than two hundred years for its investigations to be in private, except that the district attorney and his assistant are present. Secrecy is a vital requisite of grand jury procedure. It was said in the recent decision of *Commonwealth v. Harris*, 231 Mass. 584, at page 586, quoting in part the words of Chief Justice Shaw in *Jones v. Robbins*, 8 Gray, 329, 344: "'The right of individual citizens to be secure from an open and public accusation of crime, and from the trouble, expense and anxiety of a public trial, before a probable cause is established by the presentment and indictment

of a grand jury, in case of high offences, is justly regarded as one of the securities to the innocent against hasty, malicious and oppressive public prosecutions, and as one of the ancient immunities and privileges of English liberty.' The above quotation is a declaration and decision that the twelfth article of the Declaration of Rights in part was aimed and intended to prohibit the scandal and disgrace of a trial in public of persons charged with infamous crimes and offences when, in truth, there was no sufficient cause to suspect their guilt. It is also a declaration that it shall no longer be possible for one or more judges to compel or direct the examination of a witness to be held in open court before the grand jury, should the judges seek to overawe the latter or the witness by the presence of other witnesses or bystanders, or should he or they be of opinion the prosecution is too indulgently or too vindictively conducted." These essential characteristics of the grand jury would be broken down if a police officer or other person who had investigated the evidence, interviewed the witnesses, and formulated a plan for prosecuting the accused should be permitted to be present during the hearing of testimony. This conclusion follows irresistibly from the two decisions just cited, by which we are bound.

There is no inherent necessity in the efficient conduct of investigation by the grand jury which justifies such invasion of their proceedings by strangers. The presence of a police officer cannot be justified upon such ground. Indeed the attendance of the district attorney and his assistant subverts every rational purpose which could be accomplished by the proposed bill. The attendance of a police officer would afford opportunity for subjecting witnesses to fear or intimidation, for preventing freedom of full disclosure by testimony, and for infringing the secrecy of the proceedings. Mere rules of procedure practiced by our ancestors at the time of the adoption of the Constitution did not become an inherent part of due process. But no change "can be made which disregards those fundamental principles, to be ascertained from time to time by judicial action, which have relation to process of law and protect the citizen in his private right, and guard him against the arbitrary action of government." *Twining v. New Jersey*, 211 U. S. 78, 101.

The second branch of the inquiry is whether a statute, authorizing the use of interpreters for witnesses whose ignorance of English renders such course necessary, would be constitutional. The use of interpreters in the presentation to the grand jury of the testimony of witnesses who cannot speak English arises from inherent necessity. It always has been practiced. *The Case of Norberg*, 4 Mass. 81. The investigations of the grand jury cannot be hampered because witnesses through ignorance or dumbness are unable directly to impart their knowledge of material facts. An interpreter is a witness. *Amory v. Fellows*, 5 Mass. 219, 226. The enactment of a statute to this end would not be unconstitutional. It would add nothing, however, to practice already existing in courts without any statute.

We answer, therefore, to the first question, that section 1 of Senate Bill No. 102 would be unconstitutional and that section

2 of that bill would not be unconstitutional; and to the second question, that a statute authorizing the presence with the grand jury, during the examination of witnesses, of a police officer or other person who has prepared the case, would be unconstitutional, and that a statute authorizing the use of an interpreter, in cases where a witness cannot speak English or speaks it so deficiently as not to convey intelligible information, would not be unconstitutional.

ARTHUR P. RUGG.
WILLIAM CALEB LORING.
HENRY K. BRALEY.
CHARLES A. DECOURCY.
JOHN C. CROSBY.
EDWARD P. PIERCE.
JAMES B. CARROLL.

The message (see Senate, No. 471) was read; and, on motions of Mr. Beck, it was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Communication from the Attorney-General.

The following communication was received from the Attorney-General, to wit:—

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL,
BOSTON, April 14, 1919.

HON. EDWIN T. MCKNIGHT, *President of the Senate.*

DEAR SIR:—I beg to acknowledge an order from the Honorable Senate in the following form:

Attorney-General, —
opinion relative to protection against careless operation of motor-vehicles.

"*Ordered, Whereas,* There are pending in the General Court a bill entitled 'An Act to provide for the protection of persons and property in case of injuries due to the careless operation of motor-vehicles,' numbered Senate, 190, and another entitled 'An Act to provide security to the public for personal injuries caused by motor-vehicles,' numbered House, 261, copies of which are hereto annexed, and

Whereas, Doubt has been raised as to the constitutionality of these bills if enacted into law, therefore be it

Ordered, That the Senate require the opinion of the Attorney-General on the following important questions of law:—

1. Would either of the aforesaid bills be unconstitutional if enacted?
2. Is it within the constitutional power of the General Court to provide by law that every licensee to operate a motor-vehicle be required to furnish security by bond, insurance policy, or otherwise, against whatever damage to persons or property may result from the operation by the licensee of such vehicle?"

Senate Bill No. 190, entitled as stated in the order, is as follows:

"SECTION 1. No license shall be granted under and pursuant to chapter five hundred and thirty-four of the Acts of nineteen hundred and nine, and acts in amendment thereof, for the operation of motor-vehicles unless and until every such applicant shall have provided indemnity satisfactory to the Massachusetts Highway Commission by insurance or otherwise against all damages, either to persons or property, that may result from his or her operation of motor-vehicles within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

SECTION 2. This act shall not, however, apply to special licenses issued to chauffeurs."

In my judgment, it is well within the power of the General Court, in the exercise of the police power of the Commonwealth, to require that every person who desires to operate a motor-vehicle upon the public highways shall, before receiving authority thus to operate such vehicle, provide reasonable security for the satisfaction by him of any judgments that may be recovered against him by any member of the public on account of personal injuries. The power to regulate the use of the public highways is unquestioned. This power must include the right to impose reasonable conditions upon such use by any vehicles or means of transportation which are unusual in character and especially likely to cause injury to other travelers. In my opinion, the requirement that security of the character stated be given is a reasonable condition.

Yet it must be borne in mind that all such police regulations must operate equally upon all citizens who come within their scope, and that there must be no arbitrary discrimination between different classes of citizens. *Commonwealth v. Hana*, 195 Mass. 262, 266. When a police regulation is restricted in its application to certain classes of citizens only and others are exempt from its burden, such a regulation must be carefully examined in order to determine whether there can be any sound basis in reason for the distinction made.

In my judgment, Senate Bill No. 190 cannot stand the test of such an examination. It requires security to be given only by persons who are granted licenses "for the operation of motor-vehicles." This obviously refers only to licenses to operate issued under St. 1909, c. 534, § 8, and its amendments, not to the registration of motor-vehicles under section 2 of that statute. Thus, it is the person who operates the vehicle, not its owner, for whose benefit or in whose business it is operated, who must give the security. Then, by section 2, the bill does not apply to persons securing special licenses issued to chauffeurs under section 8 above referred to. A chauffeur is defined by St. 1909, c. 534, § 1, as amended by Gen. St. 1915, c. 16, § 1, as "any person who operates a motor-vehicle and who directly or indirectly receives pay or any compensation whatsoever for any work or services in connection therewith." The result is that no security of any sort is required in cases where motor-vehicles are operated only by employees of the owners. This of course exempts from the requirement of this bill most trucks and other motor-vehicles used for business purposes. Thus, the bill is confined almost exclusively to requiring security of persons who operate their own vehicles or those owned by members of their family.

I see no basis for making the distinctions above stated, and none has been called to my attention. In my judgment, this bill is plainly arbitrary in the distinctions which it makes, and, therefore, if enacted, it would necessarily be held unconstitutional for that reason. Furthermore, I have grave doubts as to the validity of the provisions in this bill which leave the nature and amount of the "indemnity" to be given entirely

to the determination of the Massachusetts Highway Commission, but there is no occasion to consider that phase of the bill.

House Bill No. 261 is very different in character from the bill just considered. Its important sections are as follows:

"SECTION 1. The Massachusetts Highway Commission, hereinafter called the commission, shall refuse to register and to grant any certificate of registration on any motor-vehicle until the applicant therefor has filed with said commission either a policy of insurance or bond against public liability, as hereinafter provided.

SECTION 2. A policy of insurance against public liability for the purposes of this act is hereby defined as a policy which shall indemnify the insured against loss from liability imposed by law upon the insured for damages on account of bodily injuries, including death at any time resulting therefrom, accidentally suffered during the policy period by any person or persons other than employees of the insured as a result of the ownership, maintenance or use of a motor-vehicle owned by the insured.

SECTION 3. Said policy of insurance shall be in the sum of not less than two thousand dollars, and shall run at least for the period for which the applicant seeks registration of his motor-vehicle, and shall be in one of the standard forms approved by the Insurance Commissioner.

SECTION 4. The bond against public liability shall provide that the applicant giving the same shall pay any judgment for less than two thousand dollars and two thousand dollars on any judgment for more than two thousand dollars secured against said applicant by any person or persons other than his employees who have accidentally suffered bodily injuries, including death, at any time resulting therefrom, as a result of the ownership, maintenance or use of a motor-vehicle owned by the applicant. The bond shall be in the penal sum of two thousand five hundred dollars, shall run for not less than the period for which the applicant seeks registration, and shall be in such form and shall contain such further provisions as the commission shall deem necessary for the security and convenience of the public. The bond shall be executed by the applicant for registration with at least two good and sufficient sureties who shall be residents of Massachusetts and together owners of unencumbered real estate within the Commonwealth of a total assessed value of not less than five thousand dollars.

SECTION 5. In lieu of real estate sureties as stipulated in the preceding section, one surety company as surety, or cash to an amount of two thousand one hundred dollars, or bonds, stocks or other evidences of indebtedness of a market value of not less than two thousand five hundred dollars as security may be accepted."

The remainder of the bill is chiefly devoted to administrative provisions, and need not be stated in detail.

This bill requires the giving of security in all cases as a condition precedent to the registration of any motor-vehicle under St. 1909, c. 534, § 2. As all motor-vehicles as defined in section 1 of that act must thus be registered by their owners in order legally to be operated upon the public highways, the requirement of this bill applies to all owners of such motor-vehicles. The term "owner," as used in this statute, is interpreted to include lessees, bailees, mortgagees in possession and vendees under conditional sales. *Downey v. Bay State Street Railway Co.*, 225 Mass. 281. By section 2 registration expires upon a "transfer of ownership", and registration by the new owner then becomes necessary. Thus, the bill provides security for members of the public suffering injuries in all instances where those injuries result in the legal liability of the owner of the vehicle as thus

defined. This would include all cases where the vehicle was being operated by such owner or in his behalf by his agent or employee while acting within the scope of his employment. The only case of importance not covered is where the agent or employee is acting otherwise than in the course of his duty. Such cases, however, ordinarily involve misconduct on the part of the agent or employee and of course do not subject the employer to liability. In my judgment, a failure to provide security in that case does not make this bill arbitrary in its application or otherwise discriminatory. It bears equally upon all owners of motor-vehicles. It imposes no burden upon any person who is an operator but not an owner. It covers all cases where such vehicles are being operated for the benefit of their owners.

Furthermore, in my judgment, the nature of the security required is unobjectionable. This is to be a policy of liability insurance or a bond. If the former is given, the statutes of the Commonwealth (St. 1914, c. 464) make the liability of the insurer absolute upon the establishment of the liability of the insured and enforceable at the suit of the injured party. The bond permitted by the bill provides a similar liability on the part of the sureties. The penal sum of this bond is limited to \$2,000, which appears to be a reasonable sum, and the principal may, if he desires, in lieu of furnishing sureties thereon, deposit cash in the sum of \$2,100 or negotiable securities of the market value of \$2,500. These margins above the penal sum of the bond are not unreasonable, and the privilege of making such a deposit in lieu of sureties leaves the form of security to be given largely to the choice of the motor-vehicle owner. Nothing is left to the determination of the Massachusetts Highway Commission except the approval of the form of the bond within these definite limits fixed by the statute.

In my judgment, therefore, House Bill No. 261, if enacted, would be a valid and constitutional exercise of the police power of the Commonwealth. I suggest, however, that if it is to be enacted it be perfected in certain respects.

Section 3 refers to standard forms of liability insurance policies approved by the Insurance Commissioner. I am informed that there are no such standard forms. Section 4 should make plain to whom the bond is to run, and section 9 should make definite provision for the manner in which suit is to be brought upon the bond, and by whom. The provision in section 13, that "this act shall take effect upon its passage," should, in view of the provisions of the initiative and referendum amendment to the Constitution, be omitted. Even though the bill is to apply only to registration in subsequent years, it cannot be made effective upon its passage except by a compliance with the provisions of that amendment relating to emergency measures.

Very likely what I have already said sufficiently answers your second question. It is not clear whether that question relates to licenses to operate motor-vehicles or to the registration of such vehicles by their owners. Then, the amount of the security to be required is not stated and the reference to its possible

form is vague. I do not believe that it is wise for me to attempt to discuss such a question except in connection with a specific bill.

Yours very truly,
HENRY C. ATTWILL,
Attorney-General.

The communication (see Senate, No. 472) was read; and, on motions of Mr. Beck, it was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. McLane, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House resolves

Extending the time for the report of the State Department of Health upon the cost of a sewerage system to prevent the pollution of the Mystic Lakes in the towns of Arlington and Winchester and the city of Medford (House, No. 553); and

Providing for a report by the State Department of Health relative to the pollution of Blackstone River (House, No. 1595), — severally, ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Mahoney, for the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, on the petition of Edward W. Quinn, mayor of said city, a Bill to authorize the Metropolitan Park Commission to rebuild a certain sea-wall on Broad Canal in the city of Cambridge (printed as House, No. 788);

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Eames, —

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Roads and Bridges be authorized to travel, in the discharge of its duties, within the Commonwealth, be extended to May 1.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

To provide for the mental examination of school children with retarded mental development (House, No. 1577, — on the report of the special commission relative thereto, House, No. 1403, in part);

To provide for the mental examination of inmates of penal and other public institutions (House, No. 1578, — on the report of the special commission relative thereto, House, No. 1403, in part);

To provide for vacations with pay for certain persons regularly employed by the Commonwealth (House, No. 1580, amended, — on the petition of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor, accompanied by bill, House, No. 130; the petition of Fred P. Greenwood, accom-

Mystic Lakes,
— pollution.

Blackstone
River, —
pollution.

Cambridge, —
sea-wall on
Broad Canal.

Committee on
Roads and
Bridges, —
travel.

School
children, —
mental
examination.

Inmates of
institutions,
— mental
examination.

Certain State
employees, —
vacations.

panied by bill, House, No. 511; the petition of M. F. O'Brien, accompanied by bill, House, No. 516; and the petition of J. P. Keating, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1114); and

Reading, —
metropolitan
sewer
connection.

To authorize the construction of a main trunk sewer to connect the town of Reading with the north metropolitan sewerage system (House, No. 1601, — on the petition of Fred J. Brown, accompanied by bill, House, No. 203); and

Mystic,
Malden and
Neponset rivers
and Chelsea
creek, —
improvement.

A Resolve providing for a report by the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands relative to the improvement of Mystic, Malden and Neponset rivers and Chelsea Creek (House, No. 1596, — on the petition of Michael F. Donovan, accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 215; the petition of The Dorchester Board of Trade, accompanied by bill, House, No. 306; the petitions of Fred J. Burrell, accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 844 and 1346; and the petition of Frank H. Cowin, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1131);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills

Board of
police for the
city of Fall
River, — salary
of clerk.

To establish the salary of the clerk of the board of police for the city of Fall River (House, No. 1597, amended, — on the petition of Arthur J. B. Cartier, accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 161); and

Nurses, —
registration.

Relative to the registration of nurses (House, No. 1608, — on the petition of Walter P. Bowers, accompanied by bill, House, No. 503);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the day for the next session for a second reading.

Primaries,
caucuses and
elections.

The Senate Bill relative to primaries, caucuses and elections (Senate, No. 360, amended), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the following amendments:

In section 22, striking out lines 5 to 22, inclusive, and inserting in place thereof the following: "*Section 387.* At the biennial State election there shall be chosen by the voters of the county of Middlesex, the city of Revere and town of Winthrop, one county commissioner for said county, city and town, and by the voters of each of the other counties, except the counties of Suffolk and Nantucket, one county commissioner for the county.";

Striking out section 26 (as amended), and inserting in place thereof the following: "*SECTION 26.* Section three hundred and ninety-one of said chapter eight hundred and thirty-five, as amended by section one of chapter two hundred and fifty-five of the General Acts of nineteen hundred and seventeen, and by section two of chapter one hundred and fourteen of the General Acts of nineteen hundred and eighteen, is hereby further amended by striking out the said section and substituting the following: — *Section 391.* District attorneys and associate county commissioners shall hold their several offices for terms of four years, and sheriffs, registers of deeds, clerks of courts, registers of probate and insolvency, county treasurers and county commissioners

for six years, beginning with the first Wednesday of January in the year succeeding their election and until their successors are chosen and qualified. If a person elected to any of the above offices fails to qualify, by reason of death, on or before the said date, the office shall be filled in the manner hereinbefore provided for filling a vacancy in the office.”; and

In section 27, striking out, in line 10, the word “twenty-one”, and inserting in place thereof the words “twenty-three, and the terms of county commissioners elected in the year nineteen hundred and nineteen shall expire on the first Wednesday of January in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-five.”

Under the rule, the amendments were placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on adopting them, in concurrence.

The Senate Bill relative to the annual publication of the laws (Senate, No. 421, amended), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out, in lines 42 and 43, the words “(8) A list of officers of the civil government of the Commonwealth.”

Acts and
resolves, —
annual publi-
cation.

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, and the amendment was considered forthwith and was adopted, in concurrence.

Reports

Of the committees on Agriculture and Public Health, sitting jointly, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 447) of James W. Hayes relative to the prevention of the sale of impure milk in the city of Boston (Mr. Carey, of the House, of the committee on Agriculture, dissenting);

Boston, —
sale of milk.

Of the committee on Counties, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 324) of James H. Kay, mayor of the city of Fall River, and others that provision be made for the erection and furnishing of a registry of deeds in said city;

Fall River, —
building for
registry of
deeds.

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 492) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, to authorize the city of Boston to make appropriations for municipal purposes; and

Boston, —
appropriations
for municipal
purposes.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1088) of John I. Fitzgerald relative to protecting the Common and Public Garden in the city of Boston (Mr. Feinberg, of the House, dissenting);

Boston, —
protection of
Common and
Public Garden.

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court:

On the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 639) of Frank E. Marble, for an investigation by the Metropolitan Park Commission of new routes to connect Lynn Woods and the Nahant-Lynn shore drive; and

Lynn Woods
and Nahant-
Lynn shore
drive, —
connection.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1385) of Clarence P. Kidder that provision be made for the construction of a memorial bridge over the Charles River between Boston and Cambridge;

Boston and
Cambridge, —
memorial
bridge.

Northern and western districts, — assistant district attorneys.

Boston municipal court, — salaries of certain employees.

Port of Boston, — development.

Commission on Waterways and Public Lands, — recommendations.

Soldiers' Home in Chelsea, — change in committee.

Message from Governor, — temporary organization of returning military units.

Return of soldiers and sailors, — proper observance.

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 690) of Frederick W. Fosdick for the establishment of the offices of second assistant district attorney for the northern district and assistant district attorney for the western district, and that salaries for said offices be fixed; and

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 979) of John I. Fitzgerald relative to the salaries of William F. Blakeman and Frederick Dillon, employees of the clerk of the municipal court for civil business for the city of Boston; and

Of the committee on Waterways and Terminals, no further legislation necessary:

On so much of the Governor's Address (Senate, No. 1) as relates to the "Port of Boston"; and

On so much of the recommendations of the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands (House, No. 432) as was considered by the committee (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 433 to 438, inclusive);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Notice was received from the House that Mr. Flanagan of Lawrence had been excused, at his own request, from serving on the joint special committee appointed to examine the buildings at the Soldiers' Home in Chelsea, and that Mr. Wells of Boston had been appointed to fill the vacancy.

A message from His Excellency the Governor recommending legislation to provide for a temporary organization of the returning military units of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1620), — was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Military Affairs.

Emergency Preamble Adopted.

An engrossed Bill to provide for the proper observance throughout the Commonwealth of the return of Massachusetts soldiers, sailors and marines (see Senate, No. 443), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John

Messrs. Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis

Messrs. Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Tarbell, Warren E.

Messrs. Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 34.

NATS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Churchill, George B.
Cronin, John
Curtin, John A.

Messrs. Nichols, Malcolm E.
Sullivan, Peter F. — 5.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Relative to the height of buildings in the city of Boston;

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To authorize cities and towns to erect forest-fire observation towers;

To establish Commissioners on Uniform State Laws;

To establish the Soldiers' and Sailors' Commission;

To establish the Commission on Foreign and Domestic Commerce;

Relative to the care and preservation of lots, tombs and monuments in cemeteries;

To authorize the city of Boston to pay a certain claim of the Atlas Construction Company;

Relative to the sale of materials used in the manufacture of mattresses and similar articles;

To provide for the operation and sale of certain farm machinery by the State Department of Agriculture;

To authorize the town of Sharon to acquire and operate a street railway line and a system of transportation by motor-vehicles; and

Relative to the reinstatement of Dennis D. Driscoll as deputy commissioner of the penal institutions department of the city of Boston.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Report of the committee on Water Supply, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 843) of Roscoe Walsworth and another that the city of Revere be authorized to discontinue supplying water to the town of Saugus, — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

Revere, —
water supply
for Saugus.

On motion of Mr. Beck, the report was amended by substituting a "Bill to authorize the city of Revere to sell certain property in the town of Saugus" (Senate, No. 473); and the bill was read and, under the rule, was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Assessors, —
compensation.

By a vote of 14 to 7, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at a previous session, it had rejected the House Bill to establish the compensation of assessors (House, No. 174). On the recurring question, the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Feeble-
minded
prisoners, —
commitment.

The House Report of the committee on Legal Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 778) of John P. Manning relative to the commitment of feeble-minded prisoners by the Superior Court, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden.

Metropolitan
police
system.

The House Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 263) of James F. Cavanagh for the establishment of a metropolitan police system, — was accepted, in concurrence.

Fire depart-
ments, — day
and night
forces.

The engrossed Bill to provide for the division into day and night forces of permanent members of fire departments (see Senate, No. 403, amended), — was considered, the recurring question being on passing it to be enacted.

On motions of Mr. Jackson, Senate Rule No. 49 was suspended and the bill was amended by striking out the last sentence of section 3, to wit: — "A conflagration shall not be considered to exist within the meaning of this act unless a general alarm has been sounded."

Sent down for concurrence in the amendment. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of Mr. Jackson.

Bills.

The bills

To exempt the estates of soldiers and sailors from the payment of certain inheritance taxes (Senate, No. 449);

To regulate the mileage allowance of members and certain employees of the General Court (Senate, No. 469);

Relative to the terms of office of town clerks and town treasurers (House, No. 842, changed and amended);

Relative to the use of voting-machines (House, No. 1038, changed); and

To authorize the city of Worcester to borrow money for the purpose of increasing its water supply (House, No. 1555); and

Resolve.

The Resolve to provide for an investigation relative to the storage of illuminating gas in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 424);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Essex County,
— beaches.

The Resolve providing for the appointment of a commission to report on the taking over of certain beaches in the county of Essex (printed as House, No. 256), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Weston, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session.

The Senate Resolutions in favor of National military training (Senate, No. 468), — were rejected.

National military training.

By a vote of 9 to 7, the Senate rejected, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, the Senate Bill to authorize the payment of money to persons caring for orphans (printed as House, No. 1256).

Persons caring for orphans, — payment.

The House Bill to regulate the travelling expenses of clerks and assistant clerks of courts (House, No. 1115), — was rejected, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means.

Clerks of Courts, — travelling expenses.

The Senate Bill to require the periodical publication of itemized reports by assessors in towns (printed as House, No. 1345), — was read a third time. Mr. Counihan, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out in the last sentence thereof the words "current year", and inserting in place thereof the words "year nineteen hundred and twenty."

Towns, — publication of itemized reports.

Pending this amendment and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Hobbs.

The House bills

Relative to the taxation of the estates of deceased persons in respect to income (House, No. 713, changed); and

House bills.

Relative to war allowances for dependents of certain soldiers, sailors and marines (House, No. 1509);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Bill relative to the payment of rental by the trustees of the Worcester State Hospital to the city of Worcester for the use of its sewerage system (House, No. 1566), — was read a third time. Mr. Counihan, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out section 2, and inserting in place thereof the following new section: "SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance not earlier than ninety days after its passage by the mayor and city council of the city of Worcester."

Worcester State Hospital, — sewerage system.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill to provide for the removal of offensive sewage from Blackstone River by the city of Worcester (House, No. 1575), — was read a third time. Mr. Counihan, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 2, by striking out the beginning of said section to the words "The Supreme Judicial Court", in line 5.

Blackstone River, — removal of offensive sewage.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

The House reports

House reports.

Of the committee on Public Service, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions (House, No. 415) as relates to providing for certain expenses in the department of said commissioner, and to increasing the salary of the chief clerk and providing that the temporary agents of the department be made permanent (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 416 and 417);

Of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on the recommendations of the Civil Service Commission (House, No. 342) (accompanied by bill, House, No. 343);

Of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the recommendations of the Insurance Commissioner (House, No. 362) as relates to establishing under the standardization plan the salaries of certain employees of the insurance department (House No. 375); and

Of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, N. 1116) of Andrew J. Peters and others relative to payment for clerical assistance for the registers of probate and insolvency for the counties of Middlesex and Suffolk;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Boston Harbor,
— tunnel
between
South Boston
and East
Boston.

The House Report of the committee on Waterways and Terminals, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the recommendations of the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands (House, No. 432) as relates to authorizing the commission to make surveys and plans for estimating the cost of constructing a tunnel in Boston Harbor from South Boston to East Boston (accompanied by bill, House, No. 438), — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

Mr. Kearney moved that the report be amended by substituting a "Bill to authorize the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands to make surveys and plans for estimating the cost of constructing a tunnel in Boston Harbor from South Boston to East Boston" (printed as House, No. 438); and this amendment was rejected.

The report was then accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Cronin, at sixteen minutes before four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, April 22, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill to authorize the purchase of historical works relative to the service of Massachusetts volunteers in the European War (House, No. 1584), ought to pass; and

Soldiers and sailors, — purchase of historical works.

By Mr. Smith, for the same committee, that the Senate bills

To authorize the appointment of additional inspectors of the State Board of Labor and Industries (Senate, No. 120, changed); and

State Board of Labor and Industries, — additional inspectors.

Relative to the supervisors of accounts in the office of the Auditor of the Commonwealth (printed as House, No. 1439); and

Auditor of the Commonwealth, — supervisors of accounts. Legacy and succession taxes, etc., — abatement.

The House Bill relative to the abatement of legacy and succession taxes and corporation excise taxes illegally exacted (House, No. 1402), — severally, ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Churchill, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to provide for the preparation and distribution to the voters of arguments for and against measures to be submitted to the people under the forty-eighth Article of Amendment to the Constitution (Senate, No. 377), ought to pass in a new draft entitled: "An Act to provide for the preparation and distribution to the voters of arguments relating to measures submitted under the initiative and referendum" (Senate, No. 476);

Measures submitted to voters, — distribution of arguments.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Gifford, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill relative to the compensation of employees of the Commonwealth who served during the European war in the military or naval service of the United States (Senate, No. 444), ought NOT to pass;

State employees in military or naval service, — compensation.

Read, and the bill placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on rejecting it.

By Mr. Hastings, for the committee on Public Service, on the petition of William H. Wilson, a Bill to authorize the appointment of additional assistant clerks of courts in the county of Middlesex (printed as House, No. 810);

Middlesex County, — assistant clerks of courts.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of Wilfred Bolster and others, a Bill to increase the salary of the messenger of the municipal court of the city of Boston (printed

Boston, — messenger of municipal court.

as House, No. 815, — changed by the committee in section 1, by striking out, in lines 2 and 3, the word “twenty-five”, and inserting in place thereof the word “twenty-three”);

Suffolk
County, —
salaries of
certain
officers.

By Mr. Loring, for the same committee, on the petition of Arthur W. Dolan (accompanied by bill, House, No. 215); and in part on the special report of the Supervisor of Administration (House, No. 1451), a Bill to establish the salary of certain officers of the county of Suffolk (Senate, No. 474); and

Judges and
registers of
probate, —
salaries.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petitions of Henry J. Winslow (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 116); of Harold L. Perrin (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 162); and of James W. Bean (accompanied by bill, House, No. 977), a Bill to establish the salaries of judges, registers and assistant registers of probate in certain counties (Senate, No. 475) (Mr. Perrin, of the Senate, dissenting);

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Franklin
County, —
clerical assist-
ance for
register of
probate and
insolvency.

By Mr. Hastings, for the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 83) of John C. Lee and others that additional clerical assistance be provided for the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Franklin;

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Reconsideration.

Clerks of
courts, —
travelling
expenses.

On motion of Mr. McLane, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had rejected, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, the House Bill to regulate the travelling expenses of clerks and assistant clerks of courts (House, No. 1115). Pending the recurring question on rejecting the bill, it was recommitted to the said committee, on further motion of the same Senator.

Order Adopted.

Mr. Beck offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit:—

Joint com-
mittees, —
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which joint committees are required, under the provisions of the 10th joint rule, to make final report upon all matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended to Wednesday, April 30.

Subsequently, the same Senator, for the joint committee on Rules, reported that the order ought to be adopted; and it was considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, further moved by Mr. Beck, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Members of the
General Court,
— notification
of hearings by
Public Service
Commission.

To require that members of the General Court shall be notified of certain hearings before the Public Service Commission (House, No. 39, changed, — on the petition of Thomas A. Niland);

Authorizing commitment for observation pending determination of insanity (House, No. 948, on the petition of George M. Kline);

Mental patients, — commitment for observation.

Relative to the reinstatement of Thomas W. Dowd in the police force of the city of Revere (House, No. 1316, on the petition of Michael F. Shaw and another); and

Revere, — reinstatement of Thomas W. Dowd.

Relative to actions for the support of minor children (House, No. 1619, — on the petition of Theodore A. Lothrop and others, accompanied by bill, House, No. 949);

Support of minor children, — actions.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

A Bill relative to the reorganization of the volunteer militia (printed in House, No. 1620, being the message from the Governor relative thereto), — was read. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Reed, and the bill was read a second time and a third time.

Volunteer militia, — reorganization.

Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 3, by inserting after the word "corps", in line 3, the words "or released from active service therein."

This amendment was adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of Mr. Reed.

The Senate Bill relative to the construction, alteration and maintenance of hospitals in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 428, amended), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments in section 1, striking out, in lines 2 and 14, respectively, the word "two", and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the word "three".

Boston, — hospitals.

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Smith, and the amendments were considered forthwith and were adopted, in concurrence.

The Senate Bill relative to the granting of soldiers' relief and military aid (Senate, No. 436), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments in section 1, striking out all except lines 44 to 50, inclusive; and striking out section 2.

Soldiers' relief and military aid.

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Reed, and the amendments were considered forthwith. The Senate non-concurred in the amendments; and the bill was sent down endorsed accordingly.

The Senate Bill to provide for the pensioning of public school janitors in certain cities and towns (printed as House, No. 90, amended), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out section 3 and also section 4 (added by amendment by the Senate), and inserting in place thereof the following: "SECTION 3. This act shall not apply to the city of Boston, but it shall take effect in any other city upon its acceptance by the mayor and city council thereof, and it shall take effect in any town having a population of ten thousand

Public school janitors, — pensions.

or more, according to the State census last preceding its submission to the town, upon its acceptance by the voters of the town at a town-meeting duly called for the purpose."

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Knox, and the amendment was considered forthwith and was adopted, in concurrence, with a further amendment in section 1, moved by the same Senator, striking out from the words inserted by amendment by the Senate after the word "towns", in line 3, the word "four", and inserting in place thereof the word "three".

Sent down for concurrence in the amendment.

Veterans in
employ of
State and
municipalities.

The House Bill relative to the employment of veterans in the service of the Commonwealth, cities or towns (House, No. 1581), — came up, with the endorsement that the House had non-concurred in the adoption of the following Senate amendments: In section 1, striking out, in lines 6 and 7, the words "is a citizen of this Commonwealth or hereafter acquires a settlement herein", and inserting in place thereof the words "was a citizen of this Commonwealth at the time of his induction into such service or has since acquired a settlement therein."; in section 3, striking out, in line 15, the words "this chapter", and inserting in place thereof the words "chapter nineteen of the Revised Laws and amendments"; and striking out section 5 and inserting in place thereof the following: — "SECTION 5. A veteran shall, as to all promotions in the civil service, be entitled to a preference of five per cent to be added to his general percentage, but except as provided in this section, this act shall not affect promotions in said service, nor shall it affect the preference given under existing law to veterans of the civil war."

Committee of
conference.

On motions of Mr. Beck, the Senate insisted on its amendments and asked for a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches. Messrs. Beck, Foley and Brown were appointed the committee on its part; and the bill was sent down endorsed accordingly. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of Mr. Beck.

Reports

Of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw:

Manufacturing
and mercantile
establish-
ments, — days
of employment.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 104) of John J. Kearney relative to regulating the days of employment in certain manufacturing and mercantile establishments (Mr. Kelley, of the House, dissenting); and

Employees of
hotels, restaur-
ants, stables
and garages, —
one day in
seven.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 115) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for one day's rest in seven for employees of hotels, restaurants, stables and garages (Mr. Kelley, of the House, dissenting);

Reading, —
sewerage
system.

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 490) of Frank W. Kaan and others relative to a sewerage system for the town of Reading; and

Mayor of
Boston, —
term of office
and recall.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 493) of John L. Donovan relative to the term of office and the recall of the mayor of the city of Boston;

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 491) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, for the annexation to said city of certain cities and towns; Boston, — annexation of adjoining cities and towns.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 642) of the selectmen of Watertown relative to the control of the Charles River Basin by the Metropolitan Park Commission; and Charles River Basin, — metropolitan control.

On the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1228) of Thomas Leavitt for an investigation of the feasibility and cost of construction of a parkway from Commercial Point to Squantum; Commercial Point in Boston to Squantum, — parkway connection.

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 65) of James D. Henderson that the salary of the Tax Commissioner and Commissioner of Corporations be established; Tax Commissioner, — salary.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 671) of Id. Albert L. Whitman that the salary of the Tax Commissioner be established; and

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1108) of John I. Fitzgerald relative to removals and suspensions in the classified civil service; Civil service, — removals and suspensions.

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 670) of Albert L. Whitman that the salaries of the members of the Council be established; and Executive Council, — salaries of members.

Of the committee on Towns, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 316) of Edwin F. Barnes and others for the annexation to the town of Great Barrington of a portion of the town of West Stockbridge; Great Barrington, — annexation of a portion of West Stockbridge.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first four of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

Relative to the inspection of buildings in the city of Boston; Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

Regulating the fees receivable by sealers of weights and measures;

To change the name of Deacon's Pond Harbor to Falmouth Inner Harbor;

To authorize the town of Dartmouth to make an additional water loan;

Relative to the filing by State boards and commissions of recommendations and suggestions for legislative action;

Relative to clerical assistance in the office of the clerk of the municipal court of the Roxbury district of the city of Boston;

To authorize the city of Malden to pay a sum of money to the widow of Samuel Tilden;

To authorize the city of Boston to pay an annuity to the widow of Thomas J. Stevens;

Relative to the amount to be allowed for the burial of indigent soldiers and sailors;

Relative to effecting insurance in foreign companies not authorized to issue policies in this Commonwealth;

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

Authorizing the city of Pittsfield to pay a sum of money to the widows of Michael F. Condron and Frank Bartell; and

Making appropriations for the maintenance of departments, boards, commissions, institutions and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements.

Resolve
passed, etc.

An engrossed Resolve relative to bonds required of certain public officials and employees (which originated in the House), — was passed and, with the above-named bills, was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Police officers,
— civil service
status.

The House Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 517) of James M. Keaney relative to appointments and promotions of police officers in the classified civil service, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, it was recommitted to the said committee, on motion of Mr. Counihan, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule, moved by the same Senator.

Sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the 5th joint rule and in the recommittal.

Dances.

The House Bill for the further regulation of public and private dances (House, No. 1515), — was considered; and, pending the amendment recommended by the committee on Social Welfare, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Weston.

Towns, —
publication
of itemised
reports.

The Senate Bill to require the periodical publication of itemized reports by assessors in towns (printed as House, No. 1345), — was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The Senate adopted the pending amendment, previously recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, — striking out in the last sentence thereof the words "current year", and inserting in place thereof the words "year nineteen hundred and twenty."

Mr. Smith moved that the bill be amended by adding the following new section: "SECTION 2. This act shall not take effect in any town unless accepted at the annual town-meeting."; and this amendment was rejected, by a vote of 10 to 15.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Life and in-
vestment in-
surance, —
separation.

The Bill to authorize the separation of investment and life insurance (printed as House, No. 473), — was considered; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of Mr. Hobbs.

The Senate Bill relative to the qualifications of members of the investment boards of savings banks (Senate, No. 453), — was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading. Savings banks, — investment boards.

Mr. Counihan moved that the bill be amended by substituting a "Bill to insure the independence of savings banks (printed as House, No. 1186); and this amendment was rejected.

The Senate then refused to order the bill to a third reading, by a vote of 6 to 24.

The Senate Bill relative to the admission of children under sixteen years of age to places of amusement (printed as House, No. 997), — was passed to be engrossed. Minors, — admission to places of amusement.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Report of the joint committee on Ways and Means, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 382) of D. Gardiner O'Keefe and another that provision be made for the relief of the widow and family of the late Allen A. David, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Weston. Widow of Allen A. David.

The Senate Bill to set off a part of the town of Salisbury and to incorporate the same as the town of Salisbury Beach (printed as House, No. 141), — was considered; and, pending the amendments previously moved by Mr. Hobbs, and the motion of Mr. Brown that the bill be referred to the next General Court, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of Mr. Tarbell. Town of Salisbury Beach, — incorporation.

The House Bill relative to the registration of deaths in institutions (House, No. 1573), — was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading. On motion of Mr. Chamberlain, the bill was referred to the next General Court. Institutions, — deaths.

The Senate Resolve providing for the appointment of a commission to report on the taking over of certain beaches in the county of Essex (printed as House, No. 256), — was considered; and the Senate refused to order it to a third reading. Essex County, — beaches.

The bills

To authorize the city of Revere to sell certain property in the town of Saugus (Senate, No. 473); Bills.

To establish the salary of the clerk of the board of police for the city of Fall River (House, No. 1597, amended); and

Relative to the registration of nurses (House, No. 1608); and
The resolves

Extending the time for the report of the State Department of Health upon the cost of a sewerage system to prevent the pollution of the Mystic Lakes in the towns of Arlington and Winchester and the city of Medford (House, No. 553); and Resolves.

Providing for a report by the State Department of Health relative to the pollution of Blackstone River (House, No. 1595);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Primaries,
caucuses and
elections.

The Senate Bill relative to primaries, caucuses and elections (Senate, No. 360, amended), — was considered; and, pending the question on concurring in the adoption of certain House amendments, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of Mr. McLane.

Soldiers and
sailors, —
inheritance
taxes.

The Senate Bill to exempt the estates of soldiers and sailors from the payment of certain inheritance taxes (Senate, No. 449), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 1, by striking out, in lines 1, 2 and 3, the words "One hundred thousand dollars or an interest equal in value to one hundred thousand dollars," and inserting in place thereof the words "All sums not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars, or any interest not exceeding said value."

This amendment was adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Senate bill.

The Senate Bill to regulate the mileage allowance of members and certain employees of the General Court (Senate, No. 469); and

Senate resolve.

The Senate Resolve to provide for an investigation relative to the storage of illuminating gas in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 424);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

House bills.

The House bills

Relative to the use of voting-machines (House, No. 1038, changed); and

To authorize the city of Worcester to borrow money for the purpose of increasing its water supply (House, No. 1555);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Northern and
western dis-
tricts, — assist-
ant district
attorneys.

The House Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 690) of Frederick W. Fosdick for the establishment of the offices of second assistant district attorney for the northern district and assistant district attorney for the western district, and that salaries for said offices be fixed, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of Mr. Chamberlain.

House reports.

The House reports

Of the committees on Agriculture and Public Health, sitting jointly, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 447) of James W. Hayes relative to the prevention of the sale of impure milk in the city of Boston;

Of the committee on Counties, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 324) of James H. Kay, mayor of the city of Fall River, and others that provision be made for the erection and furnishing of a registry of deeds in said city;

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 492) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, to authorize the city of Boston to make appropriations for municipal purposes;

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 639) of Frank E. Marble for an investigation by the Metropolitan Park Commission of new routes to connect Lynn Woods and the Nahant-Lynn shore drive;

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1088) of John I. Fitzgerald relative to protecting the Common and Public Garden in the city of Boston;

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1385) of Clarence P. Kidder that provision be made for the construction of a memorial bridge over the Charles River between Boston and Cambridge;

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 979) of John I. Fitzgerald relative to the salaries of William F. Blakeman and Frederick Dillon, employees of the clerk of the municipal court for civil business for the city of Boston;

Of the committee on Waterways and Terminals, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's Address (Senate, No. 1) as relates to the "Port of Boston"; and

Of the committee on Waterways and Terminals, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands (House, No. 432) as was considered by the committee (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 433 to 438, inclusive);

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain, at six minutes before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, April 23, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

State em-
ployees, —
vacations.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill to provide for vacations with pay for certain persons regularly employed by the Commonwealth (House, No. 1580, amended), ought to pass;

Reading, —
metropolitan
sewer
connection.

By Mr. McLane, for the same committee, that the House Bill to authorize the construction of a main trunk sewer to connect the town of Reading with the north metropolitan sewerage system (House, No. 1601); and

Mystic,
Malden and
Neponset rivers
and Chelsea
Creek, —
improvement.

The House Resolve providing for a report by the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands relative to the improvement of Mystic, Malden and Neponset rivers and Chelsea Creek (House, No. 1596), — severally, ought to pass; and

Suffolk
County, —
clerical assist-
ance for register
of probate and
insolvency.

By Mr. Curran, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to provide for additional clerical assistance for the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Suffolk (Senate, No. 51); and

Widow of
Irving B.
Harding.

The House Resolve in favor of the widow of Irving B. Harding (House, No. 1538), — severally, ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Suffolk
County, —
assistant clerk
of Superior
Court for
criminal
business.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to establish the salary of the present assistant clerk of the Superior Court for criminal business for the county of Suffolk (Senate, No. 243), ought to pass in a new draft entitled "An Act to establish the salary of John R. Campbell, assistant clerk of the Superior Court for criminal business for the county of Suffolk" (Senate, No. 479); and

Soldiers' Home
in Massa-
chusetts.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts (Senate, No. 33), ought to pass in a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 480);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Widow of
Maurice W.
Finn of Revere.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the House Resolve in favor of the widow of Maurice W. Finn of Revere (House, No. 1456), ought to pass with an amendment adding at the end thereof the words "Payments on account of this annuity for the current fiscal year shall be made from Item 509 of the

general appropriation act for the maintenance of park reservations.”;

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading, with the amendment pending.

By Mr. Gifford, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill relative to the employment of needy persons by the officials of State departments (printed as House, No. 830), — ought NOT to pass;

Needy persons,
— employment
in State de-
partments.

Read, and the bill placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on rejecting it.

By Mr. Hastings, for the committee on Public Service, on so much of the twenty-seventh annual report of the Secretary of the Commonwealth (Pub. Doc. No. 46) as relates thereto, a Bill to authorize the Secretary of the Commonwealth to appoint an additional clerk to index and classify historical manuscripts (Senate, No. 477);

Secretary of
the Common-
wealth, —
additional
clerk.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of Willard J. Hale and others (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 164); the petition of Samuel M. Child and others (accompanied by bill, House, No. 283); the petition of John H. Hurley and others (accompanied by bill, House, No. 809); and in part on the special report of the Supervisor of Administration (House, No. 1451), a Bill to establish the salaries of registers of deeds and assistant recorders of the Land Court, and assistant registers of deeds (Senate, No. 478); and

Registers of
deeds and
assistant
recorders of
Land Court.

By Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, for the committee on Roads and Bridges, on the recommitted petition of George A. Hastings, a Bill to authorize the Massachusetts Highway Commission to keep certain highways on main through routes passable for motor-vehicles during the winter months (Senate, No. 14, — changed by the committee in section 1, by inserting before the word “dollars”, in line 4, the words “fifty thousand”; and by striking out section 2);

Main through
routes, —
passable for
motor-vehicles
during winter
months.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Colburn, for the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 124) of George B. Churchill for the construction of a State-aided highway between the towns of Goshen and Ashfield;

Goshen and
Ashfield, —
State-aided
highway.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Smith moved that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had passed to be engrossed, as amended, the Senate Bill to require the periodical publication of itemized reports by assessors in towns (printed as House, No. 1345); and this motion was negatived, by a vote of 6 to 14.

Towns, —
publication
of itemised
reports.

Petition.

Mineral
Products
Company.

Mr. Knox presented a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 481) of Thomas I. Hogan that the corporation known as the Mineral Products Company be revived; and the same was referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. Beck, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Beck, —

Senate, —
no session
Friday,
April 25.

Ordered, That there be no session of the Senate on Friday, April 25.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Metropolitan
park boulevards
and
roadways, —
completion.

A Bill to provide for the completion by the Metropolitan Park Commission of boulevards and roadways already authorized by law (House, No. 1604, — in part, on House Bill No. 1576 which was based on the resolve, House, No. 144, taken from the House files; and the petition of Fred J. Brown, accompanied by bill, House, No. 202; the petition of Benjamin C. Lane, accompanied by bill, House, No. 207; the petition of Harry C. Woodill, accompanied by bill, House, No. 208; the petition of John A. Hirsch, accompanied by bill, House, No. 228; the petition of Charles D. Bradbury, accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 272 and 638; the petition of Arthur N. Newhall, accompanied by bill, House, No. 275; the petition of the mayor of the city of Newton, accompanied by bill, House, No. 640; the petition of the mayor of the city of Quincy, accompanied by bill, House, No. 646; the petition of John H. Cogswell, accompanied by resolve, House, No. 786; the petition of Willis P. Howard and others, accompanied by bill, House, No. 790; the petition of Roscoe Walsworth and others, accompanied by bill, House, No. 795; the petition of William A. Kneeland, accompanied by bill, House, No. 957; and the petition of Frank H. Cowin, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1085), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills

Lynn, —
revision
of charter.

Amending the charter of the city of Lynn (House, No. 1605, — on the petition of S. Walter McDonough, accompanied by bill, House, No. 739); and

Day nurseries,
— public
supervision.

To provide for the regulation and licensing of day nurseries (House, No. 1621, — on the petition of Adeline Moffat and others, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1004);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Fraudulent
checks and
drafts.

The Senate Bill relative to the drawing and passing of fraudulent checks, drafts and orders (Senate, No. 29, amended), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment in section 2 (as amended), adding after the word "depository", in line 7, the words " , unless the maker or drawer shall

have paid the drawee thereof the amount due thereon, together with all costs and protest fees, within ten days after receiving notice that such check, draft or order has not been paid by the drawee”.

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Loring, and the amendment was considered forthwith and was adopted, in concurrence.

The Senate Bill relative to the hunting of ruffed grouse, woodcock, quail, gray squirrels, hares and rabbits (Senate, No. 392, amended), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, adding at the end of section 1 the words “; *provided, however*, that no ruffed grouse or partridge shall be killed, hunted, taken or held in possession before October twentieth, nineteen hundred and twenty, except as provided in section seven of chapter five hundred and sixty-seven of the Acts of nineteen hundred and twelve”; and in section 4 as changed and amended, striking out the word “thirty-first”, and inserting in place thereof the word “twenty-eighth”; and striking out the word “January”, and inserting in place thereof the word “February”.

Game, —
hunting.

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Prescott, and the amendments were considered forthwith and were adopted, in concurrence.

A Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1030) of John I. Fitzgerald that the salaries of the deputy assessors of the city of Boston be established, — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Boston, —
salaries of deputy assessors.

Notice was received from the House that the recommitted House Bill relative to constables in the city of Boston (House, No. 1558), had been referred, by the House, to the next General Court;

Boston, —
constables.

Also that the Senate petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 451) of E. Leroy Sweetser and another that provision be made to facilitate the safety and convenience of public travel on Revere Beach Parkway, had been referred, under the provisions of the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the House having refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of said rule.

Revere Beach
Parkway, —
public travel.

House petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1617) of Thomas F. Pedrick that a receptacle be provided in the State House for the flags carried by Massachusetts soldiers and sailors in the present war;

State House,
— receptacle
for flags.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on State House and Libraries.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1618) of the selectmen of Watertown relative to providing for precinct voting, representative town-meetings, town-meeting members and a referendum in said town;

Watertown, —
change in form
of town
government.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Towns.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To provide for the proper observance throughout the Commonwealth of the return of Massachusetts soldiers, sailors and marines; and

To establish the salary of the mayor of the city of Pittsfield.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Dances.

The House Bill for the further regulation of public and private dances (House, No. 1515), — was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence.

There being no objection, Mr. Weston withdrew the pending amendment recommended by the committee on Social Welfare, — adding at the end of section 1 the words “, except by employees”.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Weston.

Bills.

The bills

To authorize the appointment of additional inspectors of the State Board of Labor and Industries (Senate, No. 120, changed);

To provide for the preparation and distribution to the voters of arguments relating to measures submitted under the initiative and referendum (Senate, No. 476);

Relative to the supervisors of accounts in the office of the Auditor of the Commonwealth (printed as House, No. 1439);

To require that members of the General Court shall be notified of certain hearings before the Public Service Commission (House, No. 39, changed);

Authorizing commitment for observation pending determination of insanity (House, No. 948);

Relative to the reinstatement of Thomas W. Dowd in the police force of the city of Revere (House, No. 1316);

Relative to the abatement of legacy and succession taxes and corporation excise taxes illegally exacted (House, No. 1402);

To authorize the purchase of historical works relative to the service of Massachusetts volunteers in the European War (House, No. 1584); and

Relative to actions for the support of minor children (House, No. 1619);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

State em-
ployees in
military or
naval service,
— compen-
sation.

The Senate Bill relative to the compensation of employees of the Commonwealth who served during the European war in the military or naval service of the United States (Senate, No. 444), — was considered; and, pending the question on

rejecting the bill, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Hardy of Worcester.

The House Bill relative to the terms of office of town clerks and town treasurers (House, No. 842, changed and amended),— was read a third time. On motion of Mr. Churchill, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session.

Town clerks
and treasurers,
— terms of
office.

The House Bill relative to the retirement system for employees of the county of Worcester (House, No. 1583),— was read a third time. Mr. Counihan, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft entitled: "An Act relative to the retirement of certain officers of the county of Worcester" (Senate, No. 482).

Worcester
County, —
retirement
system.

This amendment was adopted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 482), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The House bills

To establish the salary of the clerk of the board of police for the city of Fall River (House, No. 1597, amended); and

House bills.

Relative to the registration of nurses (House, No. 1608); and

The House resolves

Extending the time for the report of the State Department of Health upon the cost of a sewerage system to prevent the pollution of the Mystic Lakes in the towns of Arlington and Winchester and the city of Medford (House, No. 553); and

House resolves.

Providing for a report by the State Department of Health relative to the pollution of Blackstone River (House, No. 1595);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 83) of John C. Lee and others that additional clerical assistance be provided for the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Franklin, — was accepted.

Senate report.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 104) of John J. Kearney relative to regulating the days of employment in certain manufacturing and mercantile establishments, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Wednesday, on motion of Mr. Kearney.

Manufacturing
and mercantile
establish-
ments, — days
of employment.

The House Report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 115) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for one day's rest in seven for employees of hotels, restau-

Employees of
hotels, restau-
rants, stables
and garages, —
one day in
seven.

rants, stables and garages, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Wednesday, on motion of Mr. Kearney.

House
reports.

The House reports

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 490) of Frank W. Kaan and others relative to a sewerage system for the town of Reading;

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 491) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, for the annexation to said city of certain cities and towns;

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 493) of John L. Donovan relative to the term of office and the recall of the mayor of the city of Boston;

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 642) of the selectmen of Watertown relative to the control of the Charles River Basin by the Metropolitan Park Commission;

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1228) of Thomas Leavitt for an investigation of the feasibility and cost of construction of a parkway from Commercial Point to Squantum;

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 65) of James D. Henderson that the salary of the Tax Commissioner and Commissioner of Corporations be established;

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 670) of Albert L. Whitman that the salaries of the members of the Council be established;

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 671) of Albert L. Whitman that the salary of the Tax Commissioner be established;

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1108) of John I. Fitzgerald relative to removals and suspensions in the classified civil service; and

Of the committee on Towns, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 316) of Edwin F. Barnes and others for the annexation to the town of Great Barrington of a portion of the town of West Stockbridge;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. McLane, at four minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, April 24, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Smith, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill to provide for paying a portion of the cost of construction and surfacing of North Beacon Street in the town of Watertown (printed as House, No. 643), ought to pass with an amendment, striking out, in line 3, the word "forty", and inserting in place thereof the word "thirty";

Watertown, —
North Beacon
Street.

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading, with the amendment pending.

By Mr. Colburn, for the committee on Agriculture, on the petition of Paul W. Goldsbury, a Bill to establish Mount Grace as a State forest (printed as House, No. 177, — changed by the committee in section 4, by striking out, in line 2, the word "sixty", and inserting in place thereof the word "fifty") (Messrs. Baxter of Lynn and Carey of Boston, of the House, dissenting);

Mount Grace,
— State forest.

By Mr. Hastings, for the committee on Public Service, on the petition of Edgar W. Swift (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 165); the petition of William W. Wilson (accompanied by bill, House, No. 811); and the petition of Charles S. Baxter and others (accompanied by bill, House, No. 812); and in part on the special report of the Supervisor of Administration (House, No. 1451), a Bill to establish the salaries of clerks and assistant clerks of court (Senate, No. 484);

Clerks and
assistant
clerks of
courts, —
salaries.

By Mr. Loring, for the same committee, on the petition of William J. Francis (accompanied by bill, House, No. 682); of William J. Foley and others (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1272); and in part on the special report of the Supervisor of Administration (House, No. 1451), a Bill to establish the salaries of justices, clerks and assistant clerks of police, district and municipal courts (Senate, No. 483);

Police, district
and municipal
courts, —
salaries of
justices and
clerks.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of Lloyd Makepeace, a Bill to establish the salaries of the clerks and the assistant clerks of the municipal court of the city of Boston for civil and criminal business (printed as House, No. 131);

Boston, —
salaries of
clerks of
municipal
court.

By Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, for the committee on Roads and Bridges, on the petition of George B. Churchill, a Bill to provide for the improvement of the highway in the town of Middlefield leading from Chester to Worthington (Senate, No. 125, — changed by the committee in

Middlefield, —
highway
between
Chester and
Worthington.

section 1, by striking out, in line 3, the word "twenty", and inserting in place thereof the word "ten"); and

Blandford, —
highway to
Great
Barrington.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the Bill to provide for the construction of a highway from the town of Blandford to the town of Great Barrington (printed as House, No. 313, taken from the files of last year), ought to pass;

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Towns, —
verification
of vote.

By Mr. Reed, for the committee on Towns, on the petition of John Halliwell, a Bill relative to a count of the vote being taken in towns where a two-thirds vote is required by law (Senate, No. 439);

Towns, —
validation
of votes.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of John Halliwell, a Bill to validate the votes taken by towns where a two-thirds vote was required (Senate, No. 440); and

Pilgrim
Tercentenary
celebration.

By Mr. Gifford, for the joint committee on Ways and Means, on the petition of William J. McDonald (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1016), a Bill to provide for an investigation relative to the proper celebration of the tercentenary of the landing of the Pilgrims and the return of peace (Senate, No. 485) (Mr. Underhill, of the House, dissenting);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Textile fac-
tories, —
specifications
to operatives.

By Mr. Hardy of Worcester, for the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 7) of Abraham Binns and others relative to the specifications to be furnished to operatives in textile factories (Messrs. Kelley of Worcester and Quinn of Sharon, of the House, dissenting).

Mendon, —
highway.

By Mr. Eames, for the committee on Roads and Bridges, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 127) of Francis Prescott for the improvement or construction of a highway in the town of Mendon; and

Port of Boston
and terminal
facilities, —
development.

By Mr. Beck, for the committee on Waterways and Terminals, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 278) of James F. Cavanagh relative to the development of the port of Boston and its terminal facilities;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Bill Amended.

Game, —
hunting.

On motion of Mr. Prescott, the Senate Bill relative to the hunting of ruffed grouse, woodcock, quail, gray squirrels, hares and rabbits (Senate, No. 392, as amended) (with reference to which certain House amendments had, at the previous session, been adopted, in concurrence), was again laid before the Senate. On further motion of the same Senator, the bill was further amended in section 1, by striking out, in line 12, the word "and"; and by inserting, in line 18, before the words "so as to read as follows", the words "and by adding at the end thereof the words: — *provided, however,* that no ruffed grouse or partridge shall be killed, hunted, taken or held in possession before October twen-

tieth, nineteen hundred and twenty, except as provided in section seven of chapter five hundred and sixty-seven of the Acts of nineteen hundred and twelve".

Sent down for concurrence in the amendments.

Order.

Mr. McIntosh offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit:—

Ordered, That the committee on Counties be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the counties of Dukes County and Nantucket, on or before May 3. Committee on Counties, — travel.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

To provide for further development of the port of Boston by the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands (House, No. 1542, amended, — on the recommendations of said commission, House, No. 432, in part, see House, Nos. 433, 436 and 437); Port of Boston, — development.

Relative to the duties and expenses of the Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions (House, No. 1611, — on the recommendations of said commissioners, House, No. 415, see House, Nos. 416 and 417); Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions, — duties and expenses.

Relative to the issue of county notes in anticipation of certain amounts payable to the county (House, No. 1627, — on the petition of David I. Robinson, accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 220); and County notes, — issue.

In favor of Herbert H. Boynton and Peter F. J. Carney, first and second deputies in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1628, — on the petition of Herbert H. Boynton and another, accompanied by bill, House, No. 515); and Secretary of the Commonwealth, — salaries of deputies.

A Resolve to provide for an investigation by a special commission relative to additional assistance for blind persons (House, No. 1610, — on the petitions of John D. W. Bodfish, accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 704 and 705; and in part on the recommendations of the Massachusetts Commission for the Blind, House, No. 1141, see House, No. 1143); Blind persons, — additional assistance.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill to provide for one day's rest in seven for employees of hotels and restaurants (printed as Senate, No. 81, amended, — substituted for the House Report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John J. Kearney); and Hotels and restaurants, — days of employment.

A Resolve providing for the payment of a sum of money to Margaret L. Sherwood, mother of Roswell B. Stevens (House, No. 1612, — on the petition of Davis B. Keniston, accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1442); Mother of Roswell B. Stevens.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Veterans in
employ of
State and
municipalities,
— committee
of conference.

The House Bill relative to the employment of veterans in the service of the Commonwealth, cities or towns (House, No. 1581), — came up, with the endorsement that the House had insisted on its non-concurrence in the Senate amendments, and had concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference; and that Messrs. Smith of Boston, Powers of Newton and Lyman of Easthampton, of the House, had been joined.

Subsequently, Mr. Beck, for the committee of conference, reported that they were unable to agree.

The report was read and, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator, was considered forthwith and was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of Mr. Beck.

Id.

Subsequently, the report came up with the endorsement that it had been accepted, in concurrence; that the House had asked for a new committee of conference; and that Messrs. Baldwin of Brookline, Wells of Boston and Monk of Watertown had been appointed the committee on its part.

New com-
mittee of
conference.

The Senate concurred in the appointment of a new committee of conference. Messrs. Loring, Weston and Finkel were joined; and the report was sent down endorsed accordingly. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck.

Id.

Subsequently, the report of the new committee of conference came up, recommending that the House recede from its non-concurrence in the Senate amendments of sections 1 and 3, and concur therein; and that the Senate recede from its amendment of section 5.

The report was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Extra session
of Congress.

Resolutions urging the President to call an extra session of Congress (House, No. 1500); and

Italy at
the Peace
Conference.

Resolutions relative to the claims of Italy at the Peace Conference (House, No. 1591);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Reports

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw:

Boston, —
abolition of
the finance
commission.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 792) of Frank H. Cowin that the finance commission of the city of Boston be abolished or reorganized; and

Metropolitan
district of
Boston, —
federation.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1231) of Arthur K. Reading and others for the consolidation of certain cities and towns into a metropolitan district of Boston (Messrs. Arnold and Reading, of the House, dissenting); and

Metropolitan
Water and
Sewerage
Board, —
abstract
of report.

Of the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on the annual abstract of the annual report of the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board (House, No. 1310);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

A Report of the committee on Public Institutions, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of so much of the report of the special commission which was directed to consider all matters relative to the control, custody and treatment of defective delinquents, feeble-minded persons, persons suffering from excessive use of alcohol or drugs, criminals and misdemeanants (House, No. 1403) as relates to ascertaining the mental condition of persons coming before certain courts of the Commonwealth, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary, — was read and accepted, in concurrence.

Persons coming before the courts, — mental condition.

Notice was received from the House that the Bill to authorize the Metropolitan Park Commission to complete the improvement of the sanitary condition of the Aberjona River in the town of Winchester (House, No. 143, taken from the House files), — had been referred, by the House, to the next General Court.

Aberjona River in Winchester, — improvement.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

To provide for the division into day and night forces of permanent members of fire departments;

Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

Relative to the annual publication of the laws;

To establish the compensation of assessors;

Relative to the payment of fees for the inspection of boilers and air tanks;

Relative to the taxation of the estates of deceased persons in respect to income; and

Relative to the sale or exchange of manufactured imitations of the furs of fur-bearing animals.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Bill for the further regulation of public and private dances (House, No. 1515), — was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Dances.

Mr. Weston moved that the bill be amended by striking out all after the enacting clause, and inserting in place thereof the following: —

"SECTION 1. It shall be unlawful to darken in whole or in part the hall, room, piazza, roof-garden or other place in which a public or private dance is held, or any stairway, ante-room or passageway connected therewith, during the progress of a dance therein or until all persons, except the proprietor and his employees, have withdrawn from the premises.

SECTION 2. This act shall not apply to a private dance or dancing in a private residence.

SECTION 3. The degree of light required in places to which this act applies shall be fixed by regulations to be prescribed

by the chief of the district police, and copies of such regulations and of this act shall be conspicuously posted in every such place.

SECTION 4. Violation of this act shall be punished by a fine of not less than one hundred nor more than one thousand dollars."

On motion of the same Senator, the pending amendment was amended in section 1, by striking out the words "or private".

The amendment, as amended, was then adopted.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of Mr. Weston.

Town of
Salisbury
Beach, —
incorporation.

The Senate Bill to set off a part of the town of Salisbury and to incorporate the same as the town of Salisbury Beach (printed as House, No. 141), — was considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading.

The pending amendments, previously moved by Mr. Hobbs (see Senate, No. 461), were adopted.

There being no objection, Mr. Brown withdrew his pending motion that the bill be referred to the next General Court.

The question on ordering the bill, as amended, to a third reading was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
Mahoney, John J.
McKnight, Edwin T.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 18.

NAYS.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Eames, Edward B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 17.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. John Cronin (present),
Mr. Arthur W. Colburn (present),

NAYS.

Mr. John A. Curtin.
Mr. David S. McIntosh. — 4.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. Malcolm E. Nichols. — 1.

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Worcester
County, —
retirement
system.

The Senate Bill relative to the retirement of certain officers of the county of Worcester (Senate, No. 482), — was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 206) of James J. Moynihan relative to the election of the city council of Boston; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 956) of James H. Brennan relative to the terms of office of councilmen in the city of Boston; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1086) of Edward J. Cox and others that the city of Boston be divided into districts for the election of members of the city council of said city, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Wednesday, on motion of Mr. Kearney.

Boston, —
city council.

The Senate Bill relative to primaries, caucuses and elections (Senate, No. 360, amended), — was considered; and, pending the question on concurring in the adoption of the House amendments, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Nason.

Primaries,
caucuses and
elections.

The House Bill relative to the terms of office of town clerks and town treasurers (House, No. 842, changed and amended), — was considered; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Churchill.

Town clerks
and treasurers, — terms
of office.

The House Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 690) of Frederick W. Fosdick for the establishment of the offices of second assistant district attorney for the northern district and assistant district attorney for the western district, and that salaries for said offices be fixed, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden.

Northern and
western districts, — assistant
district attorneys.

The bills

To provide for additional clerical assistance for the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Suffolk (Senate, No. 51);

To establish the salary of John R. Campbell, assistant clerk of the Superior Court for criminal business for the county of Suffolk (Senate, No. 479);

To provide for vacations with pay for certain persons regularly employed by the Commonwealth (House, No. 1580, amended);

To authorize the construction of a main trunk sewer to connect the town of Reading with the north metropolitan sewerage system (House, No. 1601);

Amending the charter of the city of Lynn (House, No. 1605); and

To provide for the regulation and licensing of day nurseries (House, No. 1621); and

The resolves

In favor of the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts (Senate, No. 480);

Resolve.

Resolves.

In favor of the widow of Irving B. Harding (House, No. 1538); and

Providing for a report by the commission on Waterways and Public Lands relative to the improvement of Mystic, Malden and Neponset rivers and Chelsea Creek (House, No. 1596);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

**Widow of
Maurice W.
Finn of
Revere.**

The House Resolve in favor of the widow of Maurice W. Finn of Revere (House, No. 1456), — was read a second time and was amended, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, by adding at the end thereof the words "Payments on account of this annuity for the current fiscal year shall be made from Item 509 of the general appropriation act for the maintenance of park reservations." The resolve, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

**Needy persons,
— employment
in State de-
partments.**

The Senate Bill relative to the employment of needy persons by the officials of State departments (printed as House, No. 830), — was rejected, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means.

Senate bill.

The Senate Bill relative to the supervisors of accounts in the office of the Auditor of the Commonwealth (printed as House, No. 1439), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.
Sent down for concurrence.

**Revere, —
sale of
property
in Saugus.**

The Senate Bill to authorize the city of Revere to sell certain property in the town of Saugus (Senate, No. 473), — was read a third time and was amended, on motion of Mr. Beck, as follows: In section 1, by striking out, in line 12, the word "June", and inserting in place thereof the word "September"; and by striking out section 3 and inserting in place thereof the following: — "SECTION 3. Section one of this act shall take effect upon its passage. Section two shall take effect on the first day of September, nineteen hundred and twenty."

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

House bills.**The House bills**

To require that members of the General Court shall be notified of certain hearings before the Public Service Commission (House, No. 39, changed);

Authorizing the commitment of certain persons for observation pending determination of their insanity (House, No. 948) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Relative to the reinstatement of Thomas W. Dowd in the police force of the city of Revere (House, No. 1316);

Relative to the abatement of legacy and succession taxes and corporation excise taxes illegally exacted (House, No. 1402);

To provide for State and military aid and soldiers' relief for persons in the military or naval service of the United States in the war with Germany, and for their dependents (House, No. 1510);

To authorize the purchase of historical works relative to the service of Massachusetts volunteers in the European War (House, No. 1584); and

Relative to actions for the support of minor children (House, No. 1619);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate Report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, Senate report. leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 124) of George B. Churchill for the construction of a State-aided highway between the towns of Goshen and Ashfield, — was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, House report. reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1030) of John I. Fitzgerald that the salaries of the deputy assessors of the city of Boston be established, — was accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Weston, at seven minutes before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, April 28, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*Lynn, —
school appro-
priations.

By Mr. Jackson, for the committee on Cities, on the petition of George H. Jackson, a Bill relative to appropriations for school purposes in the city of Lynn (Senate, No. 459); and

Quincy, —
State armory.

By Mr. Reed, for the committee on Military Affairs, that the Resolve providing for the construction of a State armory in the city of Quincy (House, No. 548, taken from the files of last year), ought to pass in a new draft entitled "Resolve in favor of the construction of a State armory in the city of Quincy" (Senate, No. 487);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Cambridge
subway, —
purchase by
Common-
wealth.

By Mr. Perrin, for the committees on Street Railways and Metropolitan Affairs, sitting jointly, on the petition of the Board of Trustees of the Boston Elevated Railway Company (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 721 and 722), a Bill providing for the purchase by the Commonwealth of the Cambridge subway, its appurtenances and connections (Senate, No. 490) (Messrs. Manning and McDonnell, of the House, of the committee on Street Railways, and Mr. Mahoney, of the Senate, and Messrs. Clark, Feinberg, Brennan and Costello, of the House, of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, dissenting);

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Motion picture
machines, —
acetate films.

By Mr. Knox, for the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 783) of Francis B. McKinney that the use of acetate films in the operation of motion picture machines be made compulsory; and

Storage of
junk and
inflammable
material.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 953) of Frank H. Cowin relative to the storage of junk and inflammable material;

Persons in
military or
naval service,
— extension of
time of certain
privileges and
immunities.

By Mr. Loring, for the committee on Reconstruction, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 417) of Samuel B. Finkel that the time be extended during which certain privileges and immunities conferred upon persons in the military or naval service of the United States may be enjoyed;

Dudley, —
State highway.

By Mr. Colburn, for the committee on Roads and Bridges, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 207) of Warren E. Tarbell and another that provision be made for a State highway in the town of Dudley;

By Mr. Perrin, for the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 275) of John E. Beck that the Northeastern Traction District be established and that provision be made for the appointment of a commission to take over the lines of the Bay State Street Railway Company, the expense of operation to be assessed upon said district;

Northeastern
Traction Dis-
trict. — Bay
State Street
Railway
Company.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, at the request of the petitioner, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 276) of John E. Beck for legislation providing for the public operation of the Bay State Street Railway Company, for certain rates of fare, and that resulting deficiency in revenue shall be borne by the cities and towns served by the company; and

Bay State
Street Railway
Company.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 287) of Clifton Loring that provision be made for fixing the rental to be paid by the Boston Elevated Railway Company for structures authorized for its use;

Boston Ele-
vated Rail-
way Company.
— rental of
structures.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Jackson, the Senate Report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 314) of Elmer C. Blanding that the two-platoon system be established in the fire department of the city of Quincy, — was taken from the table; and the report was accepted.

Quincy, —
two-platoon
system in fire
department.

On motion of the same Senator, the Senate Report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 455) of Michael J. Reidy for the establishment of the two-platoon system in the fire department of the city of Boston, — was taken from the table; and the report was accepted.

Boston, —
two-platoon
system in fire
department.

On motion of the same Senator, the Senate Report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 736) of the Chicopee Permanent Firemen's Benefit Association and others for the establishment of the two-platoon system in the city of Chicopee, — was taken from the table; and the report was accepted.

Chicopee, —
two-platoon
system in fire
department.

On motion of the same Senator, the Senate Report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1195) of Andrew P. Doyle relative to the establishment of the two-platoon system in the fire department of the city of New Bedford, — was taken from the table; and the report was accepted.

New Bedford.
— two-platoon
system in fire
department.

On motion of Mr. Mahoney, the Senate Report of the committee on Public Lighting, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 86) of John J. Mahoney for legislation to establish the price of gas that may be charged by

Charlestown
Gas Company.
— price of gas.

the Charlestown Gas Company, — was taken from the table; and the report was accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Maternity
board.

On motion of Mr. Hobbs, the House Report of the committee on Social Welfare, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 91) of Edna Lawrence Spencer that provision be made for maternity benefits and for the creation of a maternity board, — was taken from the table and considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

Mr. Halliwell moved that the report be amended by substituting a "Bill to protect mothers and children during the maternity period" (Senate, No. 488).

Pending this amendment and pending the main question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Wednesday, on further motion of Mr. Halliwell.

Justices of
the Supreme
Judicial Court,
— admission
of certain
persons to
grand jury
room during
examination
of witnesses.

On motions of Mr. Beck, the opinion of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court relative to the constitutionality of pending legislation providing that the grand jury may permit certain persons to be present at the examination of witnesses in a case which it is investigating (Senate, No. 471), — was taken from the table and was placed on file.

Attorney-
General, —
opinion rela-
tive to pro-
tection against
careless opera-
tion of motor-
vehicles.

On motions of the same Senator, the opinion of the Attorney-General as to the constitutionality of pending legislation relative to the protection of persons and property in case of injuries due to the careless operation of motor-vehicles (Senate, No. 472), — was taken from the table and was placed on file.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Soldiers' relief
and military
aid. — com-
mittee of
conference.

The Senate Bill relative to the granting of soldiers' relief and military aid (Senate, No. 436), — came up, with the endorsement that the House had insisted on its amendments (in which the Senate previously had non-concurred), and had asked for a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches; and that Messrs. Pierce of Greenfield, Powers of Newton and Wells of Boston had been appointed the committee on its part.

On motions of Mr. Reed, the Senate insisted on its non-concurrence in the House amendments and concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference. Messrs. Reed, Hardy of Worcester and Sullivan were joined; and the bill was sent down endorsed accordingly.

Gas and elec-
tric companies,
— contracts:
committee of
conference.

The House Bill relative to contracts between gas and electric companies (House, No. 1531), — came up, with the endorsement that the House had insisted on its non-concurrence in the Senate amendment (inserting after the word "made", in line 1, the words "for more than one year"), and had asked for a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches; and that Messrs. Bullock of New Bedford, Collins of Edgartown

and McDonald of Quincy had been appointed the committee on its part.

On motions of Mr. Nason, the Senate insisted on its amendment and concurred in the appointment of the committee of conference. Messrs. McLane, Nason and Halliwell were joined; and the bill was sent down endorsed accordingly.

Reports

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 431) of William L. Gleason, mayor, and another that the city of Brockton be authorized to elect its superintendent of public buildings; Brockton, — election of superintendent of public buildings.

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands (House, No. 432) as relates to authorizing said commission to make surveys and plans for estimating the cost of improving navigation and providing terminal facilities on the Merrimack River (accompanied by bill, House, No. 440); Merrimack River, — navigation and terminal facilities.

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, reference to the next General Court:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 641) of the selectmen of Watertown relative to the authority of the Metropolitan Park Commission to rebuild existing bridges over the Charles River and to acquire additional land adjacent thereto; and Charles River, — rebuilding of certain metropolitan park bridges.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1043) of James H. Brennan that the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands be authorized to construct and maintain certain public landings in the city of Boston; Boston, — certain public landings.

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1084) of J. Waldo Pond relative to the publication of the reports of the finance commission of the city of Boston; Boston, — reports of the finance commission.

Of the committee on Public Service, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the Supervisor of Administration (House, No. 322) as relates to positions and salaries in the executive department, and to the laws relating to the classification and grading of stenographers and clerks in the service of the Commonwealth (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 324 and 325); and Supervisor of Administration, — recommendations.

Of the committee on Water Supply, no legislation necessary, on the special report of the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board relative to the practicability of utilizing the force of the water flowing from the sources and storage basins of the metropolitan system (House, No. 1561); Metropolitan water sources and basins, — utilization of water-power.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

A Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 680) of Timothy J. Driscoll that certain employees in the penal institutions department of the city of Boston be placed under the civil service, — came up, recommitted to the said committee, Boston, — civil service for employees of penal institutions.

under a suspension of the 5th joint rule; and the Senate concurred in the suspension of the said rule.

Employees in
certain insti-
tutions, —
appointment.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate Bill regulating the appointment of employees in institutions controlled by the Commission on Mental Diseases (Senate, No. 442), had been rejected by the House.

Emergency Preambles Adopted.

Soldiers,
sailors and
marines, —
allowances for
dependents.

An engrossed Bill relative to war allowances for dependents of certain soldiers, sailors and marines (see House, No. 1509), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was taken by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Chamberlain, George D.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 34.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Churchill, George B.
Gifford, Charles L.

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
McIntosh, David S. — 5.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Volunteer
militia, —
reorganization.

An engrossed Bill relative to the reorganization of the volunteer militia (printed in House, No. 1620, amended), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was taken by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Chamberlain, George D.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John

Messrs. Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John

Messrs. Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.

Messrs. Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 36.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Churchill, George B.

Mr. Charles L. Gifford. — 3.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

Relative to the construction, alteration and maintenance of hospitals in the city of Boston;

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

Relative to the powers of mutual fire insurance companies;

Relative to the reorganization of the volunteer militia;

Relative to the use of voting-machines; and

To authorize the city of Worcester to borrow money for the purpose of increasing its water supply.

An engrossed Resolve to authorize the city of Taunton to pay a sum of money to the next of kin of Mary Jane Flynn (which originated in the House), — was passed and, with the above-named bills, was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Resolve
passed, etc.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Bill for the further regulation of public and private dances (House, No. 1515), — was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment previously adopted by the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Weston, the bill was amended by striking out section 2 from the amendment previously adopted by the Senate and inserting in place thereof the following new section: —
"SECTION 2. This act shall apply only to dances in places required to be licensed under the provisions of sections one hundred and seventy-two and one hundred and seventy-three of chapter one hundred and two of the Revised Laws, and amendments thereof."

By a vote of 19 to 1, the bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment previously adopted by the Senate, as amended, which was sent down for concurrence.

Life and investment insurance, — separation.

The Bill to authorize the separation of investment and life insurance (printed as House, No. 473), — was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 16 to 8.

Feeble-minded prisoners, — commitment.

The House Report of the committee on Legal Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 778) of John P. Manning relative to the commitment of feeble-minded prisoners by the Superior Court, — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Reed, the report was amended by substituting a "Bill providing for the commitment of feeble-minded prisoners by the Superior Court" (printed as House, No. 778); and the bill was read and, under the rule, was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Northern and western districts, — assistant district attorneys.

The House Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 690) of Frederick W. Fosdick for the establishment of the offices of second assistant district attorney for the northern district and assistant district attorney for the western district, and that salaries for said offices be fixed, — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden moved that the report be amended by substituting a "Bill to establish the office of an additional second assistant district attorney for the northern district, to fix the salary thereof, and to establish the office of assistant district attorney for the western district" (printed as House, No. 690).

Pending this amendment and pending the main question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Hastings.

Bills.

The bills

Relative to a count of the vote being taken in towns where a two-thirds vote is required by law (Senate, No. 439);

To validate the votes taken by towns where a two-thirds vote was required (Senate, No. 440); and

To provide for one day's rest in seven for employees of hotels and restaurants (printed as Senate, No. 81, amended); and

Resolve.

The Resolve providing for the payment of a sum of money to Margaret L. Sherwood, mother of Roswell B. Stevens (House, No. 1612);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Pilgrim Tercentenary celebration.

The Bill to provide for an investigation relative to the proper celebration of the tercentenary of the landing of the Pilgrims and the return of peace (Senate, No. 485), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Beck, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session.

Watertown, — North Beacon Street.

The Senate Bill to provide for paying a portion of the cost of construction and surfacing of North Beacon street in the town of Watertown (printed as House, No. 643), — was read a second

time and was amended, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, by striking out, in line 3, the word "forty", and inserting in place thereof the word "thirty". The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

The House Resolutions urging the President to call an extra session of Congress (House, No. 1500), — were considered, the question being on adopting them, in concurrence. Extra session
of Congress.

Mr. Kearney moved that the further consideration of the resolutions be postponed until the next session; and this motion was negatived.

The question on adopting the resolutions, in concurrence, was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Colburn, Arthur W.
Curtin, John A.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Jackson, George H.

Messrs. Knox, Joseph O.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 25.

NAYS.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Kearney, John J.
Loring, Augustus P.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Smith, Charles S.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 12.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. George B. Churchill,

Mr. Charles L. Gifford. — 2.

So the resolutions were adopted, in concurrence.

The resolutions were as follows: —

"Whereas, Congress at its last session failed to enact the military appropriation bill; and

"Whereas, Further delay in providing for the reorganization of the army means an indefinite extension of the service of the drafted men who are now overseas; and

"Whereas, It is imperative for the best interests of this country that its soldiers now serving in Europe should promptly be returned to their homes and families and to the pursuits of civil life; therefore be it

"Resolved, That The General Court of Massachusetts earnestly urges the President forthwith to summon the sixty-sixth Congress in special session in order that the military appropriation bill may promptly be enacted, and that other legislation may be considered which is essential to the reconstruction period; and be it further

"Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be transmitted by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, by cable, if necessary, to the President of the United States; and that His Excellency the Governor be requested also to communicate to the President the sense of the people of Massachusetts that Congress should be convoked at once in order that our soldiers abroad may the sooner be brought home."

Italy at
the Peace
Conference.

The House Resolutions relative to the claims of Italy at the Peace Conference (House, No. 1591), — were considered, the question being on adopting them, in concurrence.

Mr. Mahoney moved that the resolutions be laid on the table; and this motion was negatived.

The question on adopting the resolutions, in concurrence, was then determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Colburn, Arthur W.
• Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 36.

NAYS.

Mr. Thomas Weston, Jr. — 1.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. George B. Churchill,

Mr. Charles L. Gifford. — 2.

So the resolutions were adopted, in concurrence.

The resolutions were as follows: —

"Whereas, The allied powers, with which the United States is associated, are now assembled in a Peace Conference at Paris for the purpose not only of concluding a just peace but also of redrawing the map of Europe in such manner as will give to each country the territory to which it is entitled, will secure it from the onslaughts of other countries or governments, and will, so far as may be practicable, provide for its national development; and

"Whereas, Italy has played an important and heroic part in the great war just closing, and has done its full share in bringing about the victory of the allies; and

"Whereas, Many citizens of the United States who are of Italian birth or origin, have served and are now serving in the army and navy of the United States, and many have given their lives in that service; therefore be it

"Resolved, That the President of the United States and the American delegates to the Peace Conference are hereby urged by The General Court of Massachusetts to consider in a friendly and sympathetic spirit the claims and requests presented to the Peace Conference by the Italian government, and to do all that they properly can do to make Italy safe from future aggression, to secure its economic and commercial development, and to provide that the territories which once were Italian in name, and have always remained Italian in spirit and in language, shall now be restored, and shall forever be a part of united Italy; and be it further

"Resolved, That copies of these resolutions, duly attested, be sent by the Secretary of the Commonwealth to the President of the United States, and to each of the American delegates in Paris."

The Senate Bill to provide for additional clerical assistance for the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Suffolk (Senate, No. 51), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out section 2.

Suffolk County, — clerical assistance for register.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill to authorize the appointment of additional inspectors of the State Board of Labor and Industries (Senate, No. 120, changed), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft entitled: "An Act to authorize the appointment of additional inspectors for the State Board of Labor and Industries" (Senate, No. 489).

State Board of Labor and Industries, — additional inspectors.

This amendment was adopted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 489), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The Senate Bill to provide for the preparation and distribution to the voters of arguments relating to measures submitted under the initiative and referendum (Senate, No. 476), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by adding the following new section, to be numbered 3: "SECTION 3. The words 'annual State election,' as used in section one shall, after the taking effect of the constitutional amendment providing for biennial State elections, refer to the biennial State elections."

Measures to be submitted to voters, — distribution of arguments.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Senate bill.

The Senate Bill to establish the salary of John R. Campbell, assistant clerk of the Superior Court for criminal business for the county of Suffolk (Senate, No. 479); and

Senate resolve.

The Senate Resolve in favor of the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts (Senate, No. 480);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Town of
Salisbury
Beach, —
incorporation.

The Senate Bill to set off and incorporate a part of the town of Salisbury as the town of Salisbury Beach (printed as House, No. 141) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time, as previously amended (see Senate, No. 491); and it was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

House bill.

The House Bill to provide for vacations with pay for certain persons regularly employed by the Commonwealth (House, No. 1580, amended); and

The House resolves

House resolves.

In favor of the widow of Irving B. Harding (House, No. 1538); and

Providing for a report by the commission on Waterways and Public Lands relative to the improvement of Mystic, Malden and Neponset rivers and Chelsea Creek (House, No. 1596);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Reading, —
metropolitan
sewerage
system.

The House Bill to authorize the construction of a main trunk sewer to connect the town of Reading with the north metropolitan sewerage system (House, No. 1601), — was read a third time. On motion of Mr. Smith, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday.

Widow of
Maurice W.
Finn of
Revere.

The House Resolve in favor of the widow of Maurice W. Finn of Revere (House, No. 1456), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment previously adopted by the Senate, which was sent down for concurrence.

Textile fac-
tories, —
specifications
to operatives.

The Senate Report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 7) of Abraham Binns and others relative to the specifications to be furnished to operatives in textile factories, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of Mr. Halliwell.

Senate report.

The Senate Report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 127) of Francis Prescott for the improvement or construction of a highway in the town of Mendon, — was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Port of Boston
and terminal
facilities, —
development.

The Senate Report of the committee on Waterways and Terminals, reference to the next General Court, on the petition

(accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 278) of James F. Cavanagh relative to the development of the port of Boston and its terminal facilities, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of Mr. Cavanagh.

The House Report of the new committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches with reference to the House Bill relative to the employment of veterans in the service of the Commonwealth, cities or towns (House, No. 1581) (recommending that the House recede from its non-concurrence in the Senate amendments in sections 1 and 3, and concur therein; and that the Senate recede from its amendment in section 5), — was accepted, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck.

Committee of conference, — veterans in employ of State and municipalities.

The House Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 792) of Frank H. Cowin that the finance commission of the city of Boston be abolished or reorganized, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, it was recommitted to the said committee, on motion of Mr. Mahoney, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule, moved by the same Senator.

Boston, — abolition of the finance commission.

Sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the recommitment.

The House Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1231) of Arthur K. Reading and others for the consolidation of certain cities and towns into a metropolitan district of Boston, — was accepted, in concurrence.

House report.

The House Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, no further legislation necessary, on the annual abstract of the annual report of the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board (House, No. 1310), — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board, — completion of Wellesley high-level sewer.

On motion of Mr. Perrin, the report was amended by substituting a "Bill to provide for the completion of the Wellesley extension of the high-level sewer authorized by chapter three hundred and forty-three of the Acts of the year nineteen hundred and fourteen" (Senate, No. 486); and the bill was read and, under the rule, was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Beck, at eleven minutes past four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, April 29, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend J. F. McGillicuddy of North Brookfield.

Reports of Committees.

Secretary of
the Common-
wealth, —
salaries of
deputies.

By Mr. Curran, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill in favor of Herbert H. Boynton and Peter F. J. Carney, first and second deputies in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1628), ought to pass;

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

East Boston
Waterfront
Freight Rail-
way Company.

By Mr. Perrin, for the committee on Street Railways, on the petition of Frank P. Huckins and others (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 274), a Bill to incorporate the East Boston Waterfront Freight Railway Company (Senate, No. 494) (Messrs. McDonnell and Manning, of the House, dissenting);

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Money paid
under protest,
— recovery.

By Mr. Loring, for the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 159) of James M. Rosenthal relative to the recovery of money paid under protest;

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Petitions.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows: —

Boston, —
pensioning
of certain
veterans.

By Mr. Beck, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 492) of John E. Beck for an extension of the law relative to the pensioning of veterans by the city of Boston;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by the same Senator, to the committee on Cities.

Cavanaugh
Brothers
Horse Com-
pany.

By Mr. Counihan, a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 493) of William E. Russell that the Cavanaugh Brothers Horse Company be reimbursed for expenses incurred and loss sustained in connection with furnishing horses for the use of the militia and National Guard;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. Beck, to the committee on Military Affairs.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Department
of the
Treasurer

Relative to the department of the Treasurer and Receiver-General (House, No. 1623, — new draft of Senate Bill printed as

House, No. 425; and on the petition of Charles L. Burrill, and Receiver-General. accompanied by bill, House, No. 1323); and

To regulate the salaries of engineers, assistant engineers and firemen in the prison service of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1624, — on the petition of John R. Hudson, accompanied by Prison service, — salaries of engineers and firemen. bill, House, No. 688; and the petitions of Edward J. Cox, accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 1110 and 1111);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills

Relative to the preparation and printing of lists of officials and employees of the city of Boston (House, No. 1080, on the petition of the finance commission of said city); and Boston, — lists of officials and employees.

To authorize the city of Waltham to pension Richard A. Jones (House, No. 1552, — on the petition of George R. Beal, mayor, Waltham, — pensioning of Richard A. Jones. and others);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

The House Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 517) of James M. Keaney relative to appointments and promotions of police officers in the classified civil service, — which had been recommitted by the Senate to the said committee, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule, — came up, with the endorsement that the House had non-concurred. Police officers, — civil service status.

On motion of Mr. Counihan, the Senate receded from the recommittal.

Pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of the same Senator.

Reports

Of the committee on Counties, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 911) of John F. Merrill that the county of Norfolk be authorized to construct buildings and purchase machinery for the operation of the farm connected with the house of correction at Walpole; Norfolk County, — buildings and machinery for farm at Walpole.

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1099) of Thomas F. Donovan relative to the registration of physicians; Physicians, — registration.

Of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 87) of Edward F. Thompson that the office of superintendent of public buildings in the city of Fall River be placed under civil service; Fall River superintendent of public buildings, — civil service.

Of the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the Insurance Commissioner (House, No. 362) as relates to appointments and to the standardization and increase of salaries in the department of the Insurance Commissioner (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 375 to 378, inclusive); Insurance Commissioner, — appointments and salaries.

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw:
 State highways, —
 sidewalks.
 On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 520) of John H. Baker for the construction and maintenance by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of sidewalks along State highways (Mr. Baker, of the House, dissenting);

Marlborough,
 — State main-
 tenance of
 Main Street.
 On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 521) of Charles F. McCarthy, mayor, and others for the payment by the Commonwealth of a sum of money for the maintenance of Main Street in the city of Marlborough (Mr. Baker, of the House, dissenting); and

Belchertown, —
 highway
 improvement.
 On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 527) of Roland D. Sawyer for the improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a highway in the town of Belchertown; and

Westborough
 to North
 Grafton, —
 highway im-
 provement.
 Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 525) of Jeremiah P. Keating for improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of the highway from Westborough to North Grafton;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Public Service
 Commission,
 — salaries of
 members.
 Notice was received from the House that the House Bill to establish the salaries of the members of the Public Service Commission (House, No. 672), had been referred, by the House, to the next General Court;

Soldiers, sailors
 and marines,
 — records of
 conviction.
 Also that the Senate petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 470) of John J. Walsh relative to the admission as evidence of records of conviction of soldiers, sailors and marines, had been referred, under the provisions of the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the House having refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of said rule.

Engrossed Bill amended on Recommendation of the Governor.

Boston, —
 reinstatement
 of Dennis D.
 Driscoll as
 deputy com-
 missioner of
 the penal
 institutions
 department.
 The engrossed Bill relative to the reinstatement of Dennis D. Driscoll as deputy commissioner of the penal institutions department of the city of Boston (which originated in the House) (see House, No. 1556), — having been returned to the House by His Excellency the Governor, in accordance with the provision of Article LVI of the Amendments of the Constitution, with a recommendation of amendment (see House, No. 1654), — came up, amended in section 1, by inserting in the second line, after the word "mayor", the words "and of the Civil Service Commission".

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the amendment was considered forthwith; and it was adopted, in concurrence.

Emergency Preamble adopted.

Returning
 soldiers and
 sailors, —
 civil service.
 The engrossed Bill to suspend the civil service laws and regulations in favor of returning soldiers and sailors (see House, No. 1543, amended), — was laid before the Senate; and the question

on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 23.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Colburn, Arthur W.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Eames, Edward B.
Hardy, Leonard F.

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Sullivan, Peter F. — 11.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Emergency Preamble Rejected.

The engrossed Bill to extend the time for filing returns of taxable property by foreign corporations (see Senate, No. 447), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

Foreign corporations,
— returns of
taxable
property.

YEAS.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 22.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Cronin, John

Messrs. Curran, George E.
Eames, Edward B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Sullivan, Peter F.

Messrs. Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 14.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Curtin, John A.
Jackson, George H.

Mr. David S. McIntosh. — 3.

So the Senate refused to adopt the preamble, two-thirds of the members voting thereon not having voted in the affirmative; and, under the provisions of Joint Rule No. 22, notice of the Senate's action was sent to the House and the bill was returned to the Secretary of the Commonwealth "for reëngrossment without the said preamble and without any provision that the bill shall take effect earlier than ninety days after it has become law."

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

Relative to the drawing and passing of fraudulent checks, drafts and orders;

Relative to the registration of nurses;

Relative to the employment of veterans in the service of the Commonwealth, cities or towns;

Relative to war allowances for dependents of certain soldiers, sailors and marines; and

To establish the salary of the clerk of the board of police for the city of Fall River.

Resolves
passed, etc.

The following engrossed resolves (both of which originated in the House) were severally passed and, with the above-named bills, were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Providing for a report by the State Department of Health relative to the pollution of Blackstone River; and

Extending the time for the report of the State Department of Health upon the cost of a sewerage system to prevent the pollution of the Mystic Lakes in the towns of Arlington and Winchester and the city of Medford.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Widow and
family of
Allan A.
David.

The House Report of the joint committee on Ways and Means, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 382) of D. Gardiner O'Keefe and another that provision be made for the relief of the widow and family of the late Allen A. David, — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Reed, the report was amended by substituting a "Resolve in favor of Marie E. David of Taunton" (Senate, No. 495); and the resolve was read and, under the rule, was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

The Senate Bill relative to primaries, caucuses and elections (Senate, No. 360, amended), — was considered, the question being on concurring in the adoption of the following House amendments:

Primaries
caucuses and
elections.

In section 22, striking out lines 5 to 22, inclusive, and inserting in place thereof the following: "Section 387. At the biennial State election there shall be chosen by the voters of the county of Middlesex, the city of Revere and town of Winthrop, one county commissioner for said county, city and town, and by the voters of each of the other counties, except the counties of Suffolk and Nantucket, one county commissioner for the county.";

Striking out section 26 (as amended), and inserting in place thereof the following: "SECTION 26. Section three hundred and ninety-one of said chapter eight hundred and thirty-five, as amended by section one of chapter two hundred and fifty-five of the General Acts of nineteen hundred and seventeen, and by section two of chapter one hundred and fourteen of the General Acts of nineteen hundred and eighteen, is hereby further amended by striking out the said section and substituting the following: — Section 391. District attorneys and associate county commissioners shall hold their several offices for terms of four years, and sheriffs, registers of deeds, clerks of courts, registers of probate and insolvency, county treasurers and county commissioners for six years, beginning with the first Wednesday of January in the year succeeding their election and until their successors are chosen and qualified. If a person elected to any of the above offices fails to qualify, by reason of death, on or before the said date, the office shall be filled in the manner hereinbefore provided for filling a vacancy in the office."; and

In section 27, striking out, in line 10, the word "twenty-one", and inserting in place thereof the words "twenty-three, and the terms of county commissioners elected in the year nineteen hundred and nineteen shall expire on the first Wednesday of January in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-five."

By a vote of 5 to 15, the Senate non-concurred in the adoption of the amendments; and the bill was sent down endorsed accordingly.

The House Bill relative to the terms of office of town clerks and town treasurers (House, No. 842, changed and amended), — was considered; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Smith.

Town clerks
and treasurers, — terms
of office.

The House Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 690) of Frederick W. Fosdick for the establishment of the offices of second assistant district attorney for the northern district and assistant district attorney for the western district, and that salaries for said offices be fixed, — was considered; and, pending the amendment previously moved by Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, and pending the main question on accepting

Northern and
western districts, — assistant
district attorneys.

the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of the same Senator.

State em-
ployees in
military or
naval service,
— compen-
sation.

The Senate Bill relative to the compensation of employees of the commonwealth who served during the European war in the military or naval service of the United States (Senate, No. 444), — was considered; and the question on rejecting the bill, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 23.

NAYS.

Messrs. Callahan, Edward
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Walter A.

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Mahoney, John J.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Winchester, Charles A. — 12.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Colburn, Arthur W.
Curtin, John A.

Messrs. Loring, Augustus P.
McIntosh, David S. — 4.

So the bill was rejected.

State Board
of Labor and
Industries, —
additional
inspectors.

The Senate Bill to authorize the appointment of additional inspectors for the State Board of Labor and Industries (Senate, No. 489), — was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Pilgrim
Tercenary
celebration.

The Bill to provide for an investigation relative to the proper celebration of the tercentenary of the landing of the Pilgrims and the return of peace (Senate, No. 485), — was ordered to a third reading.

Bills.

The bills
Relative to appropriations for school purposes in the city of Lynn (Senate, No. 459); and

Resolve.

Providing for the commitment of feeble-minded prisoners by the Superior Court (printed as House, No. 778); and
The Resolve in favor of the construction of a State armory in the city of Quincy (Senate, No. 487);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill to dispense with a count of the vote in town-meetings in certain cases (Senate, No. 439) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time and was amended, on motion of Mr. Halliwell, by striking out the emergency preamble and also by striking out section 2.

Town-meetings,
— count of
votes.

Pending the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Churchill.

The Senate Bill to validate certain votes taken by towns in the current year (Senate, No. 440) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time and was amended in section 1, on motion of Mr. Halliwell, by striking out, in line 3, the words "prior to the passage of this act."

Towns, —
validation of
certain votes.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill to provide for paying a portion of the cost of construction and surfacing of North Beacon Street in the town of Watertown (printed as House, No. 643), — was read a third time, as previously amended; and it was passed to be engrossed.

Senate bill.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill to provide for one day's rest in seven for employees of hotels and restaurants (printed as Senate, No. 81, amended), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 2 (added by amendment, by the House), by adding at the end thereof the words "according to the latest State or National census."

Employees of
hotels and
restaurants, —
one day's
rest in seven.

Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden moved that the bill be amended in section 2 (added by amendment, by the House), by inserting before the word "towns", the words "cities and"; and by striking out the word "fifteen", and inserting in place thereof the word "twenty-five".

Pending these amendments, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Hardy of Worcester.

The House Resolve providing for the payment of a sum of money to Margaret L. Sherwood, mother of Roswell B. Stevens (House, No. 1612), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

House
resolve.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 783) of Francis B. McKinney that the use of acetate films in the operation of motion picture machines be made compulsory;

Senate
reports.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 953) of Frank H. Cowin relative to the storage of junk and inflammable material;

Senate reports.

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 275) of John E. Beck that the Northeastern Traction District be established and that provision be made for the appointment of a commission to take over the lines of the Bay State Street Railway Company, the expense of operation to be assessed upon said district;

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 276) of John E. Beck for legislation providing for the public operation of the Bay State Street Railway Company, for certain rates of fare, and that resulting deficiency in revenue shall be borne by the cities and towns served by the company; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 287) of Clifton Loring that provision be made for fixing the rental to be paid by the Boston Elevated Railway Company for structures authorized for its use;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Persons in
military or
naval service,
— extension of
time of certain
privileges and
immunities.

The Senate Report of the committee on Reconstruction, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 417) of Samuel B. Finkel that the time be extended during which certain privileges and immunities conferred upon persons in the military or naval service of the United States may be enjoyed, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Friday, on motion of Mr. Finkel.

Dudley, —
State highway.

The Senate Report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 207) of Warren E. Tarbell and another that provision be made for a State highway in the town of Dudley, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Friday, on motion of Mr. Prescott.

Brockton, —
election of
superintendent
of public
buildings.

The House Report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 431) of William L. Gleason, mayor, and another that the city of Brockton be authorized to elect its superintendent of public buildings, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Friday, on motion of Mr. Dahlborg.

Supervisor of
Administration,
— recommen-
dations.

The House Report of the committee on Public Service, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the Supervisor of Administration (House, No. 322) as relates to positions and salaries in the executive department and to the laws relating to the classification and grading of stenographers and clerks in the service of the Commonwealth (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 324 and 325), — was considered; and, pending

the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Hastings.

The House Report of the committee on Water Supply, no legislation necessary, on the special report of the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board relative to the practicability of utilizing the force of the water flowing from the sources and storage basins of the metropolitan system (House, No. 1561), — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Friday, on motion of Mr. Nason.

Metropolitan
water sources
and basins, —
utilization of
water-power.

The House reports

Of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands (House, No. 432) as relates to authorizing said commission to make surveys and plans for estimating the cost of improving navigation and providing terminal facilities on the Merrimack River (accompanied by bill, House, No. 440);

House
reports.

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 641) of the selectmen of Watertown relative to the authority of the Metropolitan Park Commission to rebuild existing bridges over the Charles River and to acquire additional land adjacent thereto;

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1043) of James H. Brennan that the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands be authorized to construct and maintain certain public landings in the city of Boston; and

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1084) of J. Waldo Pond relative to the publication of the reports of the finance commission of the city of Boston;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Curran, at twenty-five minutes before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, April 30, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Resolve Recalled from the Governor.*Taunton, —
next of kin of
Mary Jane
Flynn.

On motion of Mr. Reed, it was voted that a message be sent to His Excellency the Governor requesting the return to the Senate of the engrossed Resolve to authorize the city of Taunton to pay a sum of money to the next of kin of Mary Jane Flynn (which originated in the House) (see House, No. 1586, amended).

Mr. Reed was appointed the messenger. Subsequently, the resolve was returned and was laid before the Senate. There being no objection, on motion of the same Senator, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at a previous session, it had passed the resolve.

On further motions of Mr. Reed, Senate Rule No. 49 was suspended and the resolve (as printed) was amended by inserting after the word "but", in line 4, the words "who died as the result of sickness contracted"; and by striking out, in lines 5 and 6, the words "contracted influenza which resulted in her death."

Sent down for concurrence in the amendments. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of Mr. Reed.

*Reports of Committees.*Natural
resources;
production
of food, etc.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill to provide for the use and improvement of the natural resources of the Commonwealth, the production of food, and employment and farming lands, for persons who have served in the armed forces of the United States, and others (Senate, No. 371); and

County notes,
— issue.

The House Bill relative to the issue of county notes in anticipation of certain amounts payable to the county (House, No. 1627), — severally, ought to pass;

By Mr. McLane, for the same committee, that the Senate bills

Lowell police
court, —
clerical
assistance.

To provide for clerical assistance in the police court of Lowell (Senate, No. 202); and

Metropolitan
Water and
Sewerage
Board, —
completion of
Wellesley high-
level sewer.

To provide for the completion of the Wellesley extension of the high-level sewer authorized by chapter three hundred and forty-three of the Acts of the year nineteen hundred and fourteen (Senate, No. 486);

Superior Court,
— maintenance
of certain
offices.

The House Bill to authorize the clerks of the Superior Court to maintain offices in certain cities and towns (House, No. 604); and

The Senate Resolve in favor of Marie E. David of Taunton (Senate, No. 495), — severally, ought to pass; and Marie E. David
of Taunton.

By Mr. Curran, for the same committee, that the House bills

To provide for further development of the port of Boston by the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands (House, No. 1542, amended); Port of
Boston, —
development.

To provide for the mental examination of inmates of penal and other public institutions (House, No. 1578); Inmates of
institutions,
— mental
examination.

Relative to the department of the Treasurer and Receiver-General (House, No. 1623); and Department of
the Treasurer
and Receiver-
General.

To regulate the salaries of engineers, assistant engineers and firemen in the prison service of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1624), — severally, ought to pass; Prison service,
— salaries of
engineers
and firemen.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, for the committee on Roads and Bridges, on the Bill (House, No. 232) (taken from the files of last year), a Resolve relative to the construction of a State highway in the town of Williamstown (Senate, No. 496); Williamstown,
— State high-
way.

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Beck, for the joint committee on Rules, that the Senate Order that the committee on Counties be authorized to visit, in the discharge of its duties, the counties of Dukes County and Nantucket, on or before May 3, — ought to be adopted, with an amendment adding at the end thereof the words "at an expense not to exceed one hundred dollars."; Committee
on Counties, —
travel.

Read, and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, further moved by Mr. Beck, amended, as had been recommended by the joint committee on Rules, and, as amended, adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

By Mr. Beck, for the Senate committee on Rules, that the following Senate order ought NOT to be adopted, to wit: —

Ordered, That the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands, and the Public Service Commission, sitting jointly, be directed to inquire into the reasons for the diversion of shipping from the port of Boston, and the possible effect thereon of conditions affecting the railroads, and to report their conclusions, and any remedies that may appear practicable, to the Senate not later than the 15th day of May, 1919. Port of Boston,
— diversion of
shipping.

Read, and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator, and rejected, as had been recommended by the Senate committee on Rules.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Jackson moved that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had non-concurred in the adoption of sundry House amendments of the Senate Bill relative to primaries, caucuses and elections (Senate, No. 360, amended). Primaries,
caucuses and
elections.

The same Senator moved that the further consideration of this motion be postponed until the following Tuesday; and this motion was negatived.

The motion to reconsider was negatived.

Taken from the Table.

Fraudulent
checks, drafts
or orders.

On motion of Mr. Loring, the House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 754) of Edward S. Underwood that obtaining money or property by fraudulent check, draft or order be made a criminal offence, — was taken from the table; and the report was accepted, in concurrence.

Order.

Mr. Mahoney offered the following order; and under the rule, it was referred to the Senate committee on Rules, to wit: —

Attorney-
General, —
opinion relative
to rates to be
charged by gas
companies.

Ordered, That the Senate request the opinion of the Attorney-General as to whether a gas company, as defined in section one of chapter seven hundred and forty-two of the Acts of nineteen hundred and fourteen, may lawfully, after the establishment by the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners or otherwise of a net maximum rate to be charged by such company, establish a gross rate, in excess of said net rate, which shall be paid by all customers who do not, prior to a specified date, pay the net rate.

Orders Adopted.

Mr. Beck offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —

Joint com-
mittees, —
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the following joint committees are required, under the provisions of the 10th joint rule, to make final report upon all matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended to Wednesday, May 7, to wit: —

Administration and Commissions, Counties, Education, Judiciary, Legal Affairs, Mercantile Affairs, Military Affairs, Public Service, Railroads, Roads and Bridges, Street Railways, Taxation and Ways and Means.

Subsequently, the same Senator, for the joint committee on Rules, reported that the order ought to be adopted; and it was considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, further moved by Mr. Beck, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Beck, —

Soldiers' Home
in Chelsea, —
report on fire
danger.

Ordered, That the time within which the special committee on fire danger at the Soldiers' Home in Chelsea be required to report to the General Court be extended to May 15 in the current year.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill to establish the salaries of certain employees of the county of Bristol (House No. 677, changed, — on the petition of Andrew P. Doyle and others), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bristol County,
— salaries of
certain em-
ployees.

Reports

Of the committee on Agriculture, no legislation necessary, on the first annual report of the State Drainage Board (House, No. 235);

State Drainage
Board, —
annual report.

Of the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on the recommendations of the State Department of Agriculture (House, No. 328) (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 329 and 330);

State De-
partment of
Agriculture, —
recommen-
dations.

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw;

On the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 970) of Justin E. Varney and others that the city of Lawrence be reimbursed for expenses incurred on account of the epidemic of Spanish influenza (Mr. Glazier of Hudson, of the House, dissenting);

Lawrence, —
expenses of
influenza
epidemic.

On the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1320) of Frederick P. Glazier that the town of Hudson be reimbursed for expenses incurred in suppressing the epidemic of influenza (Mr. Glazier of Hudson, of the House, dissenting); and

Hudson, —
expenses of
influenza
epidemic.

On the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1321) of John G. Orr that the city of Pittsfield be reimbursed for moneys expended in suppressing the epidemic of influenza (Mr. Glazier, of Hudson, of the House, dissenting); and

Pittsfield, —
expenses of
influenza
epidemic.

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 693) of William J. Bullock for the straightening by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of the approaches to the bridge over Fall Brook in the town of Freetown;

Freetown, —
approaches to
bridge over
Fall Brook.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate Bill relative to the reserve to be carried on life insurance policies (Senate, No. 441, amended), had been rejected by the House.

Life insurance
policies, —
reserve.

House petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1631) of Charles S. Sanborn and others that the Security Trust Company of Lynn be authorized to invest in capital stock of the Security Building Corporation of that city;

Security Trust
Company of
Lynn, —
investments.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1616) of Mayor George R. Beal and others of the city of Waltham for an amendment of the charter of said city in respect to the city council;

Waltham, —
city council.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1645) of the mayor and other city officials of the city of Lawrence relative to the maintenance of an athletic field in said city; and

Lawrence, —
athletic field.

Cambridge, —
pensioning of
M. Alice Dow.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1646) of Julius Meyers that the city of Cambridge be authorized to retire and pension M. Alice Dow, an employee of its treasury department; Severally, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, in each instance, to the committee on Cities.

Boston, —
new public
Latin school.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1647) of the Boston school-committee for authority to appropriate money for the construction and furnishing of a public Latin school;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Education.

Boston, —
consolidation
of certain
departments.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1594) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor, that certain departments of the city of Boston be reorganized and consolidated; and

Wife of James
B. Ellis of
Everett.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1622) of Fred P. Greenwood for the payment of an annuity to the wife of James B. Ellis of Everett, an incapacitated police officer formerly employed by the Metropolitan Park Commission;

Severally, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, in each instance, to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Committee to
investigate the
fish industry,
— report.

The following House Order was adopted, in concurrence: —

Ordered, That the General Court will receive the report of the joint special committee of the General Court of 1918 appointed to investigate the fish industry in this Commonwealth, if such report is submitted not later than the second day of May, nineteen hundred and nineteen.

Emergency Preamble Adopted.

Soldiers and
sailors, —
State and
military aid
and soldiers'
relief.

The engrossed Bill to provide for State and military aid and soldiers' relief for persons in the military or naval service of the United States in the war with Germany, and for their dependents (see House, No. 1510), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 34.

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ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
Smith, Charles S. — 5.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

To provide for the pensioning of public school janitors in certain cities and towns; Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

To authorize the purchase of historical works relative to the service of Massachusetts volunteers in the European war;

To require that members of the General Court shall be notified of certain hearings before the Public Service Commission;

Relative to the payment of rental by the trustees of the Worcester State Hospital to the city of Worcester for the use of its sewerage system;

Relative to actions for the support of minor children;

Relative to the form of the bonds required of certain officials and employees;

Relative to the reinstatement of Thomas W. Dowd in the police force of the city of Revere;

Authorizing the commitment of certain persons for observation pending determination of insanity; and

Relative to the abatement of legacy and succession taxes and corporation excise taxes illegally exacted.

Engrossed Bill Amended.

An engrossed Bill to provide for the removal of offensive sewage from Blackstone River by the city of Worcester (which originated in the House) (see House, No. 1575, amended), — Blackstone River, — removal of offensive sewage.
was put upon its final passage.

On motions of Mr. Prescott, Senate Rule No. 49 was suspended and the bill was amended in section 3 (as printed): By striking out, in line 20, the words "of the public health council;" and by striking out, in lines 25, 30 and 31, respectively, the word "council", and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the word "department".

Sent down for concurrence in the amendments.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Report of the committee on Social Welfare, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 91) of Edna Lawrence Spencer that provision Maternity board.

be made for maternity benefits and for the creation of a maternity board, — was considered, the main question being on accepting it.

The Senate adopted the pending amendment, previously moved by Mr. Halliwell, — that a "Bill to protect mothers and children during the maternity period" (Senate, No. 488), be substituted; and, accordingly, the bill was substituted; and it was read and, under the rule, was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

**Boston, —
city council.**

The Senate Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 206) of James J. Moynihan relative to the election of the city council of Boston; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 956) of James H. Brennan relative to the terms of office of councilmen in the city of Boston; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1086) of Edward J. Cox and others that the city of Boston be divided into districts for the election of members of the city council of said city, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of Mr. Mahoney.

**Town clerks
and treasurers, — terms
of office.**

The House Bill relative to the terms of office of town clerks and town treasurers (House, No. 842, changed and amended), — was considered; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Churchill.

**Northern and
western districts, — assistant
district attorneys.**

The House Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 690) of Frederick W. Fosdick for the establishment of the offices of second assistant district attorney for the northern district and assistant district attorney for the western district, and that salaries for said offices be fixed, — was considered, the main question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

There being no objection, Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden withdrew the pending amendment previously moved by him.

The same Senator moved that the report be amended by substituting a "Bill to establish the office of an additional second assistant district attorney for the northern district, to fix the salary thereof, and to establish the office of assistant district attorney for the western district" (Senate, No. 497).

Pending this amendment and pending the main question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of the same Senator.

**Manufacturing
and mercantile
establishments, — days
of employment.**

The House Report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 104) of John J. Kearney relative to regulating the days of employment in certain manufacturing and mercantile establishments, — was

considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Wednesday, on motion of Mr. Kearney.

The House Report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 115) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for one day's rest in seven for employees of hotels, restaurants, stables and garages, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Wednesday, on motion of Mr. Kearney.

Employees of hotels, restaurants, stables and garages, — one day in seven.

The Senate Bill to dispense with a count of the vote in town-meetings in certain cases (Senate, No. 439), — was considered, as previously amended, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Town-meetings, — count of vote.

On motion of Mr. Halliwell, the bill was further amended by striking out section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following: — "Section three hundred and ninety-eight of chapter eight hundred and thirty-five of the Acts of nineteen hundred and thirteen, as amended by section twenty-five of chapter two hundred and ninety-one of the General Acts of nineteen hundred and eighteen is hereby further amended by adding at the end of the second paragraph the words: — ; but if the vote is unanimous, a count need not be taken, — so that the said second paragraph will read as follows: — If a two-thirds vote of a town-meeting is required by statute, the count shall be taken, and the vote shall be recorded in the records by the clerk; but if the vote is unanimous, a count need not be taken."

The bill, as amended (Senate, No. 498), was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The bills

To incorporate the East Boston Waterfront Freight Railway Bills. Company (Senate, No. 494);

Relative to the preparation and printing of lists of officials and employees of the city of Boston (House, No. 1080);

To authorize the city of Waltham to pension Richard A. Jones (House, No. 1552); and

In favor of Herbert H. Boynton and Peter F. J. Carney, first and second deputies in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1628);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill relative to appropriations for school purposes in the city of Lynn (Senate, No. 459); and

The Senate Resolve in favor of the construction of a State armory in the city of Quincy (Senate, No. 487);

Senate resolve.

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Pilgrim
tercentenary
celebration.

The Senate Bill to provide for an investigation relative to the proper celebration of the tercentenary of the landing of the Pilgrims and the return of peace (Senate, No. 485), — was read a third time; and it was rejected.

Senate report.

The Senate Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 159) of James M. Rosenthal relative to the recovery of money paid under protest, — was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House reports

House reports.

Of the committee on Counties, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 911) of John F. Merrill that the county of Norfolk be authorized to construct buildings and purchase machinery for the operation of the farm connected with the house of correction at Walpole;

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1099) of Thomas F. Donovan relative to the registration of physicians;

Of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 87) of Edward F. Thompson that the office of superintendent of public buildings in the city of Fall River be placed under civil service;

Of the committee on Public Service, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the Insurance Commissioner (House, No. 362) as relates to appointments and to the standardization and increase of salaries in the department of the Insurance Commissioner (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 375 to 378, inclusive);

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 520) of John H. Baker for the construction and maintenance by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of sidewalks along State highways;

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 521) of Charles F. McCarthy, mayor, and others for the payment by the Commonwealth of a sum of money for the maintenance of Main Street in the city of Marlborough; and

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 527) of Roland D. Sawyer for the improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a highway in the town of Belchertown;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Westborough
to North
Grafton, —
highway im-
provement.

The House Report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 525) of Jeremiah P. Keating for improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of the highway from Westborough to North Grafton, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in

concurrence, it was recommitted to the said committee, on motion of Mr. Prescott, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule, moved by the same Senator.

Sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the rule and in the recommittal.

On motion of Mr. Nichols, at sixteen minutes before four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, May 1, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

Boston, —
taking of
certain prop-
erty for
historical
purposes.

By Mr. Jackson, for the committee on Cities, that the recom-
mitted Senate Bill to authorize the city of Boston to take for
historical purposes certain land and a building thereon in the
Dorchester district of the city (printed as House, No. 730),
ought to pass;

Read, and the bill placed in the Orders of the Day for the
next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Firearms and
dangerous
weapons, —
search-
warrants.

By Mr. Walsh, for the committee on Legal Affairs, on the
petitions of George E. Curran (accompanied by bill, Senate,
No. 44); of Edward A. Scigliano (accompanied by bill, House,
No. 120); of Thomas H. Green (accompanied by bill, House,
No. 196); of John P. Englert and others (accompanied by bill,
House, No. 1219); and of John L. Bates and others (accom-
panied by bill, House, No. 1503), a Bill relative to the issuance
of search-warrants for the seizure of firearms and dangerous
weapons (Senate, No. 500); and

Boston and
Maine
Railroad.

By Mr. Hobbs, for the committee on Railroads, on the petition
of Woodward Hudson (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 455), a
Bill to extend the time for the operation of certain provisions of
law relative to the Boston and Maine Railroad (Senate, No.
499);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the
next session for a second reading.

Innholders and
common
victuallers, —
licensing.

By Mr. Reed, for the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to
withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 45)
of John J. Kearney relative to the licensing of innholders and
common victuallers;

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Motion to Reconsider.

Pilgrim
tercentenary
celebration.

Mr. Mahoney moved that the Senate reconsider the vote by
which, at the preceding session, it had rejected the Senate Bill
to provide for an investigation relative to the proper celebration
of the tercentenary of the landing of the Pilgrims and the return
of peace (Senate, No. 485).

On motion of Mr. Reed, the further consideration of this mo-
tion was postponed until the following Tuesday.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Relative to the State Guard (House, No. 1615, — on so much of the Governor's Address, Senate, No. 1, as relates thereto); and

To establish free clinics for the feeble-minded and a registry of the feeble-minded (House, No. 1625, — on the report of the special commission relative thereto, House, No. 1403, in part); and

A Resolve to authorize the pensioning of Patrick E. Barry, a former police officer of the Metropolitan Park Commission (House, No. 1650, — on the petition of Daniel J. Hayden, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1419);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills

Relative to the hours for registration of voters in certain small towns (House, No. 716, changed, — on the petition of John B. Watson and another);

To validate certain acts of cities and towns making appropriations for soldiers' and sailors' memorials (House, No. 1592, on the petition of John R. Hudson); and

To confirm the election of officers and other proceedings at the annual town-meeting of the town of Manchester in the present year (House, No. 1663, — on the petition of the selectmen of said town, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1593); and

A Resolve in favor of the widow and children of James Gibbons (House, No. 1636, — on the petition of John E. Beck, accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 413);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

A Bill to systematize the payment by the city of Boston of compensation to various officials and employees, and the expenditure of money by the county of Suffolk (printed as Senate, No. 264, — on the petition of Andrew J. Peters, mayor), — came up, recommitted to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule; and the Senate concurred in the suspension of the said rule.

A Bill relative to the compensation of the medical examiners and associate examiners in counties other than Suffolk County (House, No. 1637, — on the petition of Elmer L. Briggs, accompanied by bill, House, No. 678), — came up, recommitted to the committee on Public Service, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule; and the Senate concurred in the suspension of the said rule.

A Bill to provide for acquisition by the Commonwealth of the property of street railway companies (House, No. 1666, — substituted by the House for the House Report of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Frank A. Manning, accompanied by bill, House, No.

State Guard,
— continuance.

Feeble-
minded, —
free clinics
and registry.

Patrick E.
Barry, —
pension.

Towns, —
registration
of voters.

Municipal
appropriations,
— soldiers'
and sailors'
memorials.

Manchester, —
proceedings of
annual town-
meetings.

Family of
James Gibbons.

Boston and
Suffolk
County, —
systematized
payments and
expenditures.

Medical
examiners and
associates, —
compensation.

Street rail-
ways, — public
ownership.

832), — came up, recommitted to the committee on Street Railways, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule.

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the said rule; and the bill was sent down endorsed accordingly.

Metropolitan
water system,
— certain
extensions.

A House Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, no legislation necessary, on so much of the message from the Governor transmitting a budget containing a statement of all proposed expenditures of the Commonwealth for the fiscal year 1919 (House, No. 185) as relates to the completion by the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board of the Wellesley extension of the high level sewer, and to the laying by said board of a pipe line in Poplar Street, West Roxbury, a pipe line for Lexington, and a water-main to East Boston, — came up, recommitted to the said committee, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule; and the Senate concurred in the suspension of the said rule.

Bay State
Street Railway
Company, —
privileges in
East Boston
and Boston.

A House Report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1388) of the mayor of the city of Revere that the Bay State Street Railway Company be authorized to acquire the rights of the Boston Elevated Railway Company in East Boston and the East Boston tunnel and to discontinue the use of certain of its lines in the city of Boston, — came up, recommitted to the said committee, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule.

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the said rule; and the report was sent down endorsed accordingly.

Reports

Boston, —
sale of milk.

Of the committees on Agriculture and Public Health, sitting jointly, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1185) of William J. Manning for legislation relative to the sale of milk in the city of Boston;

Insurance
policies, —
warranties
and represen-
tations.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 762) of Harold J. Taylor relative to warranties and representations in the negotiating of policies of insurance;

Influenza
epidemic, —
temporary
hospitals.

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 662) of John M. Gibbs that cities and towns be reimbursed for expenses incurred in the erection and maintenance of temporary hospitals during the influenza epidemic (Mr. Glazier of Hudson, of the House, dissenting);

Ware and
West Brook-
field, — high-
way im-
provement.

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 528) of Roland D. Sawyer for an improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a highway between the towns of Ware and West Brookfield;

Of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court:

Boston Ele-
vated Railway
Company, —
five-cent fares.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 54) of John J. Walsh that the maximum rate of fare charged by the Boston Elevated Railway Company be five cents and that any deficiency in revenue be paid by the Commonwealth;

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 137) of Charles Whipple Smith relative to the public control of certain street railways; Street railways, — public control.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1353) of the Citizens Transportation Committee of Hyde Park for the creation of a metropolitan transportation district to hold and operate street railway lines in eastern Massachusetts; and Metropolitan transportation district.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1358) of William J. McDonald and others for the incorporation of the Boston Rapid Transit Company; Boston Rapid Transit Company.

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 298) of John L. Donovan relative to the transportation of passengers by street railway companies; Street railway cars, — capacity.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 537) of Gardner W. Pearson that cities and towns be authorized to construct, acquire, own and operate street railways and other means of transportation; Street railways, — public ownership.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1349) of Daniel J. Gillen relative to the rate of dividends on common stock to be included by the Board of Trustees of the Boston Elevated Railway Company in estimating the cost of service as a basis for fixing rates of fare (Messrs. Manning, McDonnell and Cowin, of the House, dissenting); Boston Elevated Railway Company, — cost of service.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1350) of Fred P. Greenwood for the establishment of a six-cent fare on street railways for transportation to and from points within five miles of the State House; Boston Elevated Railway Company, — six-cent fares.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1351) of Fred P. Greenwood that the public operation of the Boston Elevated Railway Company be discontinued; and Boston Elevated Railway, — discontinuance of public operation.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1352) of Frank B. Phinney for the establishment of a uniform and single rate of fare for persons travelling over street railway lines in the city of Boston; Boston, — uniform and single fare on street railway lines.

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, at the request of the petitioner, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 833) of Frank A. Manning for a referendum on the question of public ownership and operation of street railways; and Street railways, — referendum on public ownership.

Of the committee on Taxation, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 304) of Arthur N. Newhall relative to the exemption from taxation of the property of widows and other persons and of charitable and other institutions; Widows and others and certain institutions, — taxation.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 463) of John J. McCarthy relative to the issue of certain liquor licenses for any part of the license year beginning in 1919, had been referred, under the provisions of the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the House having refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of said rule. Intoxicating liquors, — licenses for part of year.

Bill Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bill enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

An engrossed Bill to provide for vacations with pay for certain persons regularly employed by the Commonwealth (which originated in the House), was passed to be enacted.

The following engrossed resolves (both of which originated in the House) were severally passed and, with the above-named bill, were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Resolves
passed, etc.

In favor of the widow of Irving B. Harding; and

Providing for a report by the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands relative to the improvement of Mystic, Malden and Neponset rivers and Chelsea Creek.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Town clerks
and treasurers, — terms
of office.

The House Bill relative to the terms of office of town clerks and town treasurers (House, No. 842, changed and amended), — was considered; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Churchill.

Northern and
western districts, — assistant
district attorneys.

The House Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 690) of Frederick W. Fosdick for the establishment of the offices of second assistant district attorney for the northern district and assistant district attorney for the western district, and that salaries for said offices be fixed, — was considered; and, pending the amendment previously moved by Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, and pending the main question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Churchill.

Reading, —
metropolitan
sewerage
system.

The House Bill to authorize the construction of a main trunk sewer to connect the town of Reading with the north metropolitan sewerage system (House, No. 1601), — was considered; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. McLane.

Port of Boston
and terminal
facilities, —
development.

The Senate Report of the committee on Waterways and Terminals, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 278) of James F. Cavanagh relative to the development of the port of Boston and its terminal facilities, — was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bills.

The bills

To provide for clerical assistance in the police court of Lowell (Senate, No. 202);

To provide for the use and improvement of the natural resources of the Commonwealth, the production of food, and

employment and farming lands, for persons who have served in the armed forces of the United States, and others (Senate, No. 371);

To authorize the clerks of the Superior Court to maintain offices in certain cities and towns (House, No. 604);

To provide for further development of the port of Boston by the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands (House, No. 1542, amended);

To regulate the salaries of engineers, assistant engineers and firemen in the prison service of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1624); and

Relative to the issue of county notes in anticipation of certain amounts payable to the county (House, No. 1627);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to provide for the completion of the Wellesley extension of the high-level sewer authorized by chapter three hundred and forty-three of the Acts of the year nineteen hundred and fourteen (Senate, No. 486), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Perrin, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday.

Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board, — completion of Wellesley high-level sewer.

The Bill to provide for the mental examination of inmates of penal and other public institutions (House, No. 1578), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Prescott, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday.

Inmates of institutions, — mental examinations.

The House Bill relative to the department of the Treasurer and Receiver-General (House, No. 1623), — was read a second time.

Department of the Treasurer and Receiver-General.

Mr. Kearney moved that the bill be amended in section 2, by inserting after the word "recommendation", in line 11, the words "and who has been honorably discharged from the service of the Nation in the late war with Germany".

Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of the same Senator.

The Senate Resolve in favor of Marie E. David of Taunton (Senate, No. 495), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Reed, and the resolve was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Marie E. David of Taunton.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

The Senate Bill to incorporate the East Boston Waterfront Freight Railway Company (Senate, No. 494), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 4, by striking out, in lines 38 and 39, the words "jointly by the city council of the city of Boston and the commission",

East Boston Waterfront Freight Railway Company.

and inserting in place thereof the words "by the city council of the city of Boston, subject to the approval of the commission."

This amendment was adopted.

Mr. Kearney moved that the bill be amended by substituting a "Resolve providing for an investigation by the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands of the advisability of constructing a railroad belt line along the water front of East Boston" (Senate, No. 501).

Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, as amended, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of the same Senator.

The House bills

House bills.

Relative to the preparation and printing of lists of officials and employees of the city of Boston (House, No. 1080);

To authorize the city of Waltham to pension Richard A. Jones (House, No. 1552); and

To establish the salaries of Herbert H. Boynton and Peter F. J. Carney, first and second deputies in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1628) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House reports

House reports.

Of the committee on Agriculture, no legislation necessary, on the first annual report of the State Drainage Board (House, No. 235);

Of the committee on Agriculture, no further legislation necessary, on the recommendations of the State Department of Agriculture (House, No. 328) (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 329 and 330);

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 970) of Justin E. Varney and others that the city of Lawrence be reimbursed for expenses incurred on account of the epidemic of Spanish influenza;

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1320) of Frederick P. Glazier that the town of Hudson be reimbursed for expenses incurred in suppressing the epidemic of influenza;

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1321) of John G. Orr that the city of Pittsfield be reimbursed for moneys expended in suppressing the epidemic of influenza; and

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 693) of William J. Bullock for the straightening by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of the approaches to the bridge over Fall Brook in the town of Freetown;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. McLane, at one minute before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

FRIDAY, May 2, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Honorable Russell D. Chase, former State's Attorney of the State of North Dakota.

The Honorable Russell D. Chase, former State's Attorney of the State of North Dakota, was introduced by the presiding officer and addressed the Senate.

Hon. Russell D. Chase, former State's Attorney of North Dakota.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Colburn, for the committee on Roads and Bridges, on the petition of Arthur W. Colburn, a Bill to provide further for the improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a State highway in the town of Dracut and the city of Methuen (Senate, No. 126);

Dracut and Methuen, — State highway.

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Perrin, for the committee on Street Railways, on the petition of Silas D. Reed (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 288), a Bill to provide for further maintenance for the Taunton, Norton and Attleboro Street Railway (Senate, No. 502);

Taunton, Norton and Attleboro Street Railway Company.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A House Report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 692) of Cornelius Boothman and another for the construction by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a State highway between the towns of Cummington, Adams and Savoy, — came up, recommitted to the said committee, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule; and the Senate concurred in the suspension of the said rule.

Cummington, Adams and Savoy, — State highway.

A Report of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1265) of Charles A. Ufford for improved freight and passenger transportation in the metropolitan district, — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Metropolitan district, — freight and passenger transportation.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate Bill relative to the admission of children under sixteen years of age to places of amusement (printed as House, No. 997), had been rejected by the House.

Minors, — admission to places of amusement.

The following House orders were adopted, in concurrence: —

Committee on
Administration
and Commis-
sions, — clerical
assistance and
stenographer.

Ordered, That the committee on Administration and Commissions be authorized to employ such clerical assistance as it may need, including the services of a stenographer, in preparing a bill based upon the Governor's message and upon various petitions and bills now before the said committee for the reorganization of the executive and administration work of the Commonwealth, in accordance with Article 66 of the Amendments of the Constitution.

Joint com-
mittee on the
Judiciary, —
travel.

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary be authorized to travel, in the discharge of their duties, in the city of Boston, on or before May 10.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To suspend the civil service laws and regulations in favor of returning soldiers and sailors; and

To provide for State and military aid and soldiers' relief for persons in the military or naval service of the United States in the war with Germany, and for their dependents.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Boston, —
taking of
certain prop-
erty for
historical
purposes.

The Senate Bill to authorize the city of Boston to take for historical purposes certain land and a building thereon in the Dorchester district of the city (printed as House, No. 730), — was considered; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Jackson.

Persons in
military or
naval service,
— extension of
time of certain
privileges and
immunities.

The Senate Report of the committee on Reconstruction, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 417) of Samuel B. Finkel that the time be extended during which certain privileges and immunities conferred upon persons in the military or naval service of the United States may be enjoyed, — was considered, the question being on accepting it.

Mr. Finkel moved that the report be amended by substituting a "Bill to extend the period during which suits against soldiers, sailors or marines shall be continued (Senate, No. 503).

Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of the same Senator.

Dudley, —
State highway.

The Senate Report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 207) of Warren E. Tarbell and another that provision be made for a State highway in the town of Dudley, — was considered; and, pending the question on accept-

ing the report, it was recommitted to the said committee, on motion of Mr. Prescott, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule, moved by the same Senator.

Sent down for concurrence in the suspension of the said rule.

The House Report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 431) of William L. Gleason, mayor, and another that the city of Brockton be authorized to elect its superintendent of public buildings, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Wednesday, on motion of Mr. Dahlborg.

Brockton, —
election of
superintendent
of public
buildings.

The House Report of the committee on Water Supply, no legislation necessary, on the special report of the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board relative to the practicability of utilizing the force of the water flowing from the sources and storage basins of the metropolitan system (House, No. 1561), — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Wednesday, on motion of Mr. Cavanagh.

Metropolitan
water sources
and basins, —
utilization of
water-power.

The House Bill relative to the department of the Treasurer and Receiver-General (House, No. 1623), — was considered; and, pending the amendment previously moved by Mr. Kearney, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of the same Senator.

Department of
the Treasurer
and Receiver-
General.

The Senate Bill to incorporate the East Boston Waterfront Freight Railway Company (Senate, No. 494, — was considered, as previously amended, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

East Boston
Waterfront
Freight Rail-
way Company.

The Senate rejected the pending amendment, previously moved by Mr. Kearney, — that a "Resolve providing for an investigation by the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands of the advisability of constructing a railroad belt line along the water front of East Boston" (Senate, No. 501), be substituted.

The same Senator moved that the bill be amended by adding at the end of section 5 the words "The company shall be liable for all damages for depreciation of property along the proposed route of the railroad to the full extent of its assessed valuation."; and this amendment was rejected, by a vote of 5 to 11.

The bill, as previously amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The bills

To extend the time for the operation of certain provisions of law relative to the Boston and Maine Railroad (Senate, No. 499);

Relative to the hours for registration of voters in certain small towns (House, No. 716, changed); and

Bills-

Bill.

To validate certain acts of cities and towns making appropriations for soldiers' and sailors' memorials (House, No. 1592);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Firearms and dangerous weapons, — search-warrants.

The Bill relative to the issuance of search-warrants for the seizure of firearms and dangerous weapons (Senate, No. 500), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Cavanagh, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session.

Manchester, — proceedings of annual town meetings.

The House Bill to confirm the election of officers and other proceedings at the annual town-meeting of the town of Manchester in the present year (House, No. 1663), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Reed, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read as follows: "An Act to confirm the election of officers and other proceedings at the current town-meeting of the town of Manchester". Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of the same Senator.

Family of James Gibbons.

The House Resolve in favor of the widow and children of James Gibbons (House, No. 1636), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Reed, and the resolve was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. McLane.

Senate bill.

The Senate Bill to provide for additional clerical assistance in the police court of Lowell (Senate, No. 202) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Investment and life insurance, — separation.

The Senate Bill to authorize the separation of investment and life insurance (printed as House, No. 473), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 1, by striking out, in lines 1 and 2, the words "doing business", and inserting in place thereof the words "authorized to issue policies"; and by adding at the end of said section the words "and less any existing indebtedness to the company on the policy."; and by striking out section 2, and inserting in place thereof the following new section: — "SECTION 2. Policies and contracts issued under this act shall be subject to the provisions of section seventy-five of chapter five hundred and seventy-six of the Acts of nineteen hundred and seven, and amendments thereof, except as otherwise provided herein."

Pending these amendments and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. McLane.

The House bills

To authorize the clerks of the Superior Court to maintain House bills. offices in certain cities and towns (House, No. 604); and

To regulate the salaries of engineers, assistant engineers and firemen in the prison service of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1624);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Bill to provide for further development of the Port of Boston, — development. port of Boston by the Commission on Water ways and Public Lands (House, No. 1542, amended), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 2, by adding at the end thereof the words "The provisions of sections six and seven of chapter seven hundred and forty-eight of the Acts of nineteen hundred and eleven shall apply to all takings hereunder."

This amendment was adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill amending the charter of the city of Lynn Lynn, — charter. (House, No. 1605), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 1, by striking out all after the word "prescribe", in line 12, and inserting in place thereof the words "No vote of the city council changing such hours shall take effect unless accepted by a majority of the voters of said city voting therein at a regular State election, and the Secretary of the commonwealth, upon the receipt at least thirty days before such an election of a copy of the vote of the city council proposing such a change, certified by the city clerk, shall cause the question of its acceptance to be placed upon the ballot to be used in said city at such election."; and in section 2 by striking out, in line 1, the words "Section sixteen", and inserting in place thereof the words "Paragraph numbered sixteen of section twenty".

These amendments were adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Report of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 45) of John J. Kearney relative to the licensing of innholders and common victuallers, — Innholders and common victuallers, — licensing. was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Kearney.

The House Report of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 54) of John J. Walsh that the maximum rate of fare charged by the Boston Elevated Railway Company be five cents and that any deficiency in revenue be paid by the Boston Elevated Railway Company, — five-cent fares.

Commonwealth, — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

Mr. Walsh moved that the report be amended by substituting a "Bill establishing a five-cent fare on the lines of the Boston Elevated Railway Company and subsidizing the company from the public treasury for any resulting deficiency" (Senate, No. 54).

Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of the same Senator.

The House reports

House reports.

Of the committees on Agriculture and Public Health, sitting jointly, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1185) of William J. Manning for legislation relative to the sale of milk in the city of Boston;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 762) of Harold J. Taylor relative to warranties and representations in the negotiating of policies of insurance;

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 662) of John M. Gibbs that cities and towns be reimbursed for expenses incurred in the erection and maintenance of temporary hospitals during the influenza epidemic;

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 528) of Roland D. Sawyer for an improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a highway between the towns of Ware and West Brookfield;

Of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 137) of Charles Whipple Smith relative to the public control of certain street railways;

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 298) of John L. Donovan relative to the transportation of passengers by street railway companies;

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 537) of Gardner W. Pearson that cities and towns be authorized to construct, acquire, own and operate street railways and other means of transportation;

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, at the request of the petitioner, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 833) of Frank A. Manning for a referendum on the question of public ownership and operation of street railways;

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1349) of Daniel J. Gillen relative to the rate of dividends on common stock to be included by the Board of Trustees of the Boston Elevated Railway Company in estimating the cost of service as a basis for fixing rates of fare;

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1350) of Fred P. Greenwood for the establishment of a six-cent fare on street railways for transportation to and from points within five miles of the State House;

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1351) of Fred P. Greenwood that the public operation of the Boston Elevated Railway Company be discontinued;

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1352) of Frank B. Phinney for the establishment of a uniform and single rate of fare for persons traveling over street railway lines in the city of Boston;

Of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1353), of the Citizens Transportation Committee of Hyde Park for the creation of a metropolitan transportation district to hold and operate street railway lines in eastern Massachusetts;

Of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1358) of William J. McDonald and others for the incorporation of the Boston Rapid Transit Company; and

Of the committee on Taxation, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 304) of Arthur N. Newhall relative to the exemption from taxation of the property of widows and other persons and of charitable and other institutions;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Mahoney, at two minutes past one o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, May 5, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Bill Returned by the Governor with Recommendation of Amendments.*Returning
soldiers and
sailors, —
civil service.

The engrossed Bill to suspend the civil service laws and regulations in favor of returning soldiers and sailors (which originated in the Senate) (see House, No. 1543, amended), — which, on May 2, had been laid before the Governor for his approbation, was returned by His Excellency with the following message:

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, May 3, 1919.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

In accordance with the provisions of the constitution of the Commonwealth, the bill entitled "An Act to Suspend the Civil Service Laws and Regulations in Favor of Returning Soldiers and Sailors," known as General Act House No. 1543, is herewith returned, with the recommendation that it be amended by adding after the words "Section 3" the following: — "The provisions of this act shall not apply to an appointment until all veterans of the present war who have qualified in the classified service and are eligible to such appointment have been certified for such appointment and appointed or rejected in accordance with law; nor shall it apply to the appointing of policemen or firemen; nor shall it apply to appointments to any health service which the Civil Service Commission, with the approval of the Governor and Council, may from time to time declare requires a special technical training;" and by striking out in section 3 the words: — "Nor shall it be deemed to dispense with existing laws and regulations requiring applicants for positions in a police or fire department to pass a physical examination."

The Commonwealth has already provided by law that those veterans who have been in the service who are qualified under the civil service laws shall keep and maintain their places. It would obviously be very unfair to them if they should now find that notwithstanding their war record and their qualifications by examination they are not entitled to the first choice. I fully realize that this amendment would have been made had it not been overlooked. It is fully in accord with the patriotic spirit that has prompted the proposal of this measure.

The balance of the amendment applies to public safety and public health. There is no favor which can be extended to our veterans too great for us to give. It should be borne in mind, however, that there are two hundred thousand of them and

only a few thousand can go into the civil service. The public safety and the public health must be maintained at the highest point of efficiency that legislative ingenuity can devise. It would be very unjust to the nearly two hundred thousand veterans and their dependents if we entrusted the protection of their safety and their health to any person not qualified in every respect. If it should be said that of course the appointing power would never appoint an incompetent person, the reply is that this act is not dealing with the question of what the appointing power will do. It is the question of what the Commonwealth of Massachusetts will by law permit the appointing power to do. I feel very certain that the law-making authority of the Commonwealth does not wish to say that it will permit by law the appointment of any incompetent person but rather that it will by law forbid any such action. Patriotism could require no less. The men who have been in the service at the risk of their lives to preserve a rule of law will not be pleased if they find on their return that those who have remained at home are lacking in the courage to pursue the same course.

CALVIN COOLIDGE.

The message (Senate, No. 504) was read and the Senate proceeded to consider the bill, in accordance with the provisions of Article LVI of the Amendments of the Constitution.

The question was stated on adopting the following amendments recommended by His Excellency the Governor, to wit: —

Adding after the words "Section 3", the following: — "The provisions of this act shall not apply to an appointment until all veterans of the present war who have qualified in the classified service and are eligible to such appointment have been certified for such appointment and appointed or rejected in accordance with law; nor shall it apply to the appointing of policemen or firemen; nor shall it apply to appointments to any health service which the Civil Service Commission, with the approval of the Governor and Council, may from time to time declare requires a special technical training;" and by striking out, in section 3 (lines 8 to 11, inclusive, as printed), the words "nor shall it be deemed to dispense with existing laws and regulations requiring applicants for positions in a police or fire department to pass a physical examination."

Pending the question on adopting the foregoing amendments, the further consideration of the bill was postponed until the following Wednesday, on motion of Mr. McLane.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. McLane, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill relative to the duties and expenses of the Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions (House, No. 1611), ought to pass with amendments, inserting after the words "chief clerk", in line 7, and in the words added, by change, at the end of the bill, the words "with the approval of the Governor and Council"; and by inserting after the word "court", in line 13, and at the

Commissioner
of State Aid
and Pensions,
— duties and
expenses.

end of the bill as changed, the words "The tenure of service of such agents as were appointed by authority of chapter one hundred and sixty-four of the General Acts of the year nineteen hundred and eighteen, to be employed during the present war and for one year after its termination, is hereby made permanent."

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading, with the amendments pending.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

County treasurers, — clerical assistance.

A Bill relative to clerical assistance for county treasurers (House, No. 172, on the petition of the County Treasurers Association), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Lowell, — high school building commission.

A Bill to provide for a high school building commission for the city of Lowell (House, No. 1590, amended, — on the petition of the school-committee of said city), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Reports

Actions on insurance policies, — burden of proof.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 761) of Harold J. Taylor relative to the burden of proof in actions on insurance policies;

Lynn, Wakefield and Saugus, — State highway.

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 522) of Alonzo P. Grinnell and others for the construction by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a State highway in the city of Lynn and towns of Wakefield and Saugus; and

Boston Elevated Railway Company, — State ownership.

Of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 52) of the Germantown Citizens Association that provision be made for State ownership and control of the Boston Elevated Railway Company and the West End Street Railway Company;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Towns, — itemized reports by assessors.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate Bill to require the periodical publication of itemized reports by assessors in towns (printed as House, No. 1345, amended), had been rejected by the House.

Supervisor of Administration, — report on Civil Service Commission.

A special report of the Supervisor of Administration (under a joint order of the two branches), relative to the conduct, methods and practices of the department of the Civil Service Commission (House, No. 1665), — was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Administration and Commissions.

The following House order (new draft of an order introduced in the Senate) was considered; and, pending the question on adopting it, in concurrence, it was laid over until the next session, at the request of Mr. Beck, to wit: —

Ordered, That the Massachusetts Highway Commission and the Metropolitan Park Commission, acting jointly, be requested to prepare an estimate of the cost of constructing that portion of the proposed Pilgrim Highway, so designated in plans on file with the Pilgrim Tercentenary Commission, running from Atlantic in the city of Quincy to the Fore River bridge, and to accompany said estimate with such recommendations as may seem advisable, reporting to the current session of the General Court not later than the twenty-fifth of May.

Pilgrim Highway, — cost of construction.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

Relative to the hunting of ruffed grouse, woodcock, quail, gray squirrels, hares and rabbits; and

Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

Relative to the reinstatement of Dennis D. Driscoll as deputy commissioner of the penal institutions department of the city of Boston.

An engrossed Resolve providing for the payment of a sum of money to Margaret L. Sherwood, mother of Roswell B. Stevens (which originated in the House), — was passed and, with the above-named bills, was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Resolve passed, etc.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 206) of James J. Moynihan relative to the election of the city council of Boston; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 956) of James H. Brennan relative to the terms of office of councilmen in the city of Boston; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1086) of Edward J. Cox and others that the city of Boston be divided into districts for the election of members of the city council of said city, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Wednesday, on motion of Mr. Finkel.

Boston, — city council.

The Senate Report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 7) of Abraham Binns and others relative to the specifications to be furnished to operatives in textile factories, — was considered, the question being on accepting it.

Textile factories, — specifications to operatives.

Mr. Halliwell moved that the report be amended by substituting a "Bill relative to the specifications to be furnished certain operatives in textile factories" (Senate, No. 7); and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Eames, Edward B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Mahoney, John J.
Nason, Arthur L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Winchester, Charles A. — 16.

NAYS.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Curtin, John A.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Loring, Augustus P.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Smith, Charles S.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 9.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. Edward A. Counihan, Jr. (present),
Mr. Walter E. McLane (present),
Mr. John J. Walsh (present),
Mr. John Cronin,
Mr. George E. Curran,
Mr. Edward N. Dahlborg (present),

NAYS.

Mr. Harold L. Perrin.
Mr. George B. Churchill.
Mr. George A. Hastings.
Mr. Warren E. Tarbell (present).
Mr. Charles L. Gifford (present).
Mr. Leonard F. Hardy. — 12.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. George H. Jackson,

Mr. David S. McIntosh. — 2.

So the amendment was adopted; and, accordingly, the bill was substituted; and it was read and, under the rule, was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Investment
and life
insurance, —
separation.

The Senate Bill to authorize the separation of investment and life insurance (printed as House, No. 473), — was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The Senate adopted the pending amendments, previously recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, — in section 1, by striking out, in lines 1 and 2, the words "doing business", and inserting in place thereof the words "authorized to issue policies"; and by adding at the end of said section the words "and less any existing indebtedness to the company on the policy."; and by striking out section 2, and inserting in place thereof the following new section: — "SECTION 2. Policies and contracts issued under this act shall be subject to the provisions of section seventy-five of chapter five hundred and seventy-six of the Acts of nineteen hundred and seven, and amendments thereof, except as otherwise provided herein."

The question on passing the bill to be engrossed, as amended, was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
Reed, Silas D.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 12.

NAYS.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Chamberlain, George D.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Knox, Joseph O.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 16.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. John Halliwell (present),
Mr. Charles S. Smith (present),

NAYS.

Mr. George B. Churchill.
Mr. George A. Hastings. — 4.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Hardy, Leonard F.

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Nason, Arthur L.
Perrin, Harold L. — 7.

So the bill was rejected.

The House Bill relative to the department of the Treasurer and Receiver-General (House, No. 1623), — was considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Department of
the Treasurer
and Receiver-
General.

There being no objection, Mr. Kearney withdrew the pending amendment previously moved by him.

On motion of the same Senator, the bill was amended by inserting after section 2 the following new section: "SECTION 3. In appointing the special district police officer as authorized in section two, the Governor shall give preference to persons who have served in the military or naval forces of the United States in the time of war and have been honorably discharged from such service or released from active duty therein."

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relative to the issuance of search-warrants for the seizure of firearms and dangerous weapons (Senate, No. 500), — was ordered to a third reading.

Firearms and
dangerous
weapons, —
search-
warrants.

The Senate Report of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 45) of John J. Kearney relative to the licensing of innholders and common victuallers, — was considered, the question being on accepting it.

Innholders and
common
victuallers, —
licensing.

Mr. Kearney moved that the report be amended by substituting a "Bill relative to the licensing of innholders and common victuallers" Senate, No. 45); and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Callahan, Edward
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Foley, William J.

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Walsh, John J. — 7.

NAYS.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Cavanagh, James F.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Gifford, Charles L.

Messrs. Halliwell, John
Hardy, Walter A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Nason, Arthur L.
Reed, Silas D.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 16.

PAIRED.

YEA.

Mr. Charles A. Winchester (present),

NAY.

Mr. Malcolm E. Nichols. — 2.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hastings, George A.
Jackson, George H.

Messrs. Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E. — 14.

So the amendment was rejected.

The report was then accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill.

The Bill to provide for further maintenance for the Taunton, Norton and Attleboro Street Railway (Senate, No. 502), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Natural
resources;
food produc-
tion.

The Senate Bill to develop the natural resources of the Commonwealth, to stimulate food production, and to provide agricultural opportunities for soldiers and sailors (Senate, No. 371) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended as follows:

In section 6, by adding at the end thereof the words "Any meeting of the board shall be a legal meeting without notice if each director by a writing filed with the records of the meeting waives such notice."; and in section 21, by adding at the end thereof the words "Such bonds or notes shall be issued for such terms as the Governor may recommend to the General Court in accordance with the provisions of section three of Article LXII of the Amendments to the Constitution."

These amendments were adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Feeble-minded
prisoners, —
commitment.

The Senate Bill providing for the commitment by the Superior Court of feeble-minded persons held for trial (printed as House, No. 778) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out, in lines

6 and 7, the words "in said Commonwealth", and inserting in place thereof the words "under the supervision of the Commission on Mental Diseases."

Mr. Dahlborg moved that the bill be further amended by striking out, in line 6 (as changed), the words "a school for the feeble-minded", and inserting in place thereof the words "an institution for defective delinquents".

Pending these several amendments, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Wednesday, on motion of Mr. Reed.

The Senate Bill to extend the time for the operation of certain provisions of law relative to the Boston and Maine Railroad (Senate, No. 499), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Senate bill.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House bills

Relative to the hours for registration of voters in certain small towns (House, No. 716, changed); and House bills.

To validate certain appropriations by cities and towns for soldiers' and sailors' memorials (House, No. 1592) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Bill relative to the issue of county notes in anticipation of certain assessments payable to the county (House, No. 1627), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft entitled "An Act relative to the issue of county notes in anticipation of certain assessments payable to the county" (Senate, No. 505). County notes.

This amendment was adopted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 505), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The House Report of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1265) of Charles A. Ufford for improved freight and passenger transportation in the metropolitan district, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Winchester. Metropolitan district, — freight and passenger transportation.

On motion of Mr. Finkel, at twenty-eight minutes past four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, May 6, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

Members and officers of General Court, — activity regarding questions coming before voters.

By Mr. Loring, for the joint committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of John J. Carey (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1048), a Bill to forbid the employment of members of the General Court, or officers of the Commonwealth to favor or oppose questions coming before the voters of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 507); and

Range boilers.

By Mr. Knox, for the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of Elmer S. Stack and others (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 84), a Bill relative to the construction, installation, safety appliances and safe operation of range boilers, storage tanks, or other vessels or containers in which hot water may be confined (Senate, No. 506);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Motor-vehicles, — penalty for careless operation.

By Mr. Dahlborg, for the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 28) of John E. Beck that a penalty be provided for the careless operation of motor-vehicles;

Secretary of the Commonwealth, — fees of city and town clerks; returns of births, marriages and deaths.

By Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, for the committee on Legal Affairs, no legislation necessary, on so much of the twenty-seventh annual report of the Secretary of the Commonwealth as relates to fees of city and town clerks for recording and transmitting returns of births, marriages and deaths (Pub. Doc. No. 46); and

Soldiers, sailors and marines, — care of graves.

By Mr. Reed, for the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1057) of M. A. O'Brien, Jr., that provision be made for care of the graves of soldiers, sailors and marines;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Middlesex County, — salary of messenger of probate courts.

To increase the salary of the messenger of the courts of probate and insolvency for the county of Middlesex (House, No. 513, — substituted for the Senate Report of the committee on Public Service, "leave to withdraw," on the petition of Edwin D. Sibley); and

State Farm at Bridgewater, — management and release.

Relative to the management of the State Farm at Bridgewater and to the release of inmates therefrom (House, No. 1648, — on

the report of the special commission relative thereto, House, No. 1403, in part);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills

Relative to the filing of local referendum petitions in the city of Chelsea (printed as Senate, No. 456, on the petition of John E. Beck); and

Chelsea, —
local refer-
endum
petitions.

Relative to certain fees of town clerks (House, No. 1657, — on the petition of the town clerks of the towns of Deerfield, Montague, Whately and Greenfield, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1262);

Town clerks,
— fees.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

The Senate Bill relative to primaries, caucuses, and elections (Senate, No. 360, amended), — came up, with the endorsement the the House had insisted on its amendments (in which the Senate previously had non-concurred), and had asked for the appointment of a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches; and that Messrs. Abbott of Haverhill, Maloney of Chelsea and Sawyer of Ware had been appointed the committee on its part.

Primaries,
caucuses and
elections, —
committee of
conference.

On motions of Mr. Hobbs, the Senate insisted on its non-concurrence in the House amendments and concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference. Messrs. Hobbs, McLane and Beck were joined; and the bill was sent down endorsed accordingly.

A communication from the Sergeant-at-Arms, transmitting a statement (required by the 3rd joint rule) of all bills presented to the Auditor of the Commonwealth during the month of April for the travelling expenses of committees of the General Court (House, No. 1678), — was read and placed on file.

Legislative
committees, —
travelling
expenses.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

To authorize the city of Boston to make additional appropriations for municipal purposes, and for the repair and reconstruction of streets for the current financial year;

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To authorize the city of Waltham to pension Richard A. Jones;

Relative to the preparation and printing of lists of officials and employees of the city of Boston;

To confirm the election of officers and other proceedings at the current town-meeting of the town of Manchester; and

To establish the salaries of Herbert H. Boynton and Peter F. J. Carney, first and second deputies in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Resolve
passed, etc.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of the widow and children of James Gibbons (which originated in the House), — was passed and, with the above-named bills, was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Pilgrim
Highway, —
cost of
construction.

The following House order, the consideration of which had been laid over from the preceding session, was considered, to wit: —

Ordered, That the Massachusetts Highway Commission and the Metropolitan Park Commission, acting jointly, be requested to prepare an estimate of the cost of constructing that portion of the proposed Pilgrim Highway, so designated in plans on file with the Pilgrim Tercentenary Commission, running from Atlantic in the city of Quincy to the Fore River bridge, and to accompany said estimate with such recommendations as may seem advisable, reporting to the current session of the General Court not later than the twenty-fifth of May.

Mr. Mahoney moved that the further consideration of the order be postponed until the next session; and this motion was negatived.

The order was then adopted, in concurrence, by a vote of 11 to 9.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Boston, —
taking of
certain prop-
erty for
historical
purposes.

The Senate Bill to authorize the city of Boston to take for historical purposes certain land and a building thereon in the Dorchester district of the city (printed as House, No. 730), — was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Jackson, the bill was amended by substituting a new draft entitled "An Act to authorize the city of Boston to acquire certain property of historical interest" (Senate, No. 508).

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 508), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Police officers,
— civil service
status.

The House Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 517) of James M. Keaney relative to appointments and promotions of police officers in the classified civil service, — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hastings, the report was amended by substituting a "Bill relative to appointments and promotions in the police force of cities and towns" (Senate, No. 509); and the bill was read and, under the rule, was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Town clerks
and treas-
urers, — terms
of office.

The House Bill relative to the terms of office of town clerks and town treasurers (House, No. 842, changed and amended), —

was considered; and the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Callahan, Edward
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Kearney, John J.
Mahoney, John J.

Messrs. McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Prescott, Francis
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Winchester, Charles A. — 15.

NAYS.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Curtin, John A.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Reed, Silas D.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 17.

PAIRED.

YEA.

Mr. George A. Hastings (present),

NAY.

Mr. Charles S. Smith. — 2.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Cavanagh, James F.

Messrs. Colburn, Arthur W.
Perrin, Harold L. — 5.

So the bill was rejected.

The House Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 690) of Frederick W. Fosdick for the establishment of the offices of second assistant district attorney for the northern district and assistant district attorney for the western district, and that salaries for said offices be fixed, — was considered, the main question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

Northern and western districts, — assistant district attorneys.

The Senate adopted the pending amendment, previously moved by Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, that a "Bill to establish the office of an additional second assistant district attorney for the northern district, to fix the salary thereof, and to establish the office of assistant district attorney for the western district" (Senate, No. 497), be substituted; and, accordingly, the bill was substituted; and it was read and, under the rule, was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

The House Bill to authorize the construction of a main trunk sewer to connect the town of Reading with the north metropolitan sewerage system (House, No. 1601), — was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Reading, — metropolitan sewerage system.

Mr. Nichols moved that the 5th joint rule be suspended, in order that a motion to recommit might be entertained; and this motion was negatived.

The same Senator moved that the bill be laid on the table; and this motion was negatived, by a vote of 5 to 22.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Employees of
hotels and
restaurants, —
one day's
rest in seven.

The House Bill to provide for one day's rest in seven for employees of hotels and restaurants (printed as Senate, No. 81, amended), — was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate adopted the pending amendment previously recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, — in section 2 (added by amendment by the House), by adding at the end thereof the words "according to the latest State or National census."

By a vote of 17 to 8, the Senate adopted the pending amendment previously moved by Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, in section 2 (added by amendment by the House), inserting before the word "towns", the words "cities and".

Mr. Brown moved that the bill be amended in section 2 (added by amendment by the House) by striking out the word "fifteen", and inserting in place thereof the word "thirty"; and the question on this motion (which had precedence, under the rule), was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Eames, Edward B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 18.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 19.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. John A. Curtin,

Mr. Harold L. Perrin. — 2.

So the amendment was rejected.

The question on adopting the pending amendment previously moved by Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, — in section 2 (added by amendment by the House), striking out the word "fifteen"; and inserting in place thereof the word "twenty-five", — was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Eames, Edward B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 18.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 17.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. Harold L. Perrin,
Mr. John A. Curtin,

NAYS.

Mr. George E. Curran (present).
Mr. Arthur L. Nason (present). — 4.

So the amendment was adopted.

The question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the several amendments, was then determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Callahan, Edward
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Kearney, John J.
Mahoney, John J.

Messrs. McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 19.

NAYS.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Eames, Edward B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.

Messrs. Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Loring, Augustus P.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Smith, Charles S.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 16.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. John E. Beck (present),
Mr. Joseph O. Knox (present),

NAYS.

Mr. John A. Curtin.
Mr. Harold L. Perrin. — 4.

So the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

Supervisor of
Administration,
— recommen-
dations.

The House Report of the committee on Public Service, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the Supervisor of Administration (House, No. 322) as relates to positions and salaries in the executive department and to the laws relating to the classification and grading of stenographers and clerks in the service of the Commonwealth (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 324 and 325), — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hastings, the report was amended by substituting a "Bill to regulate increases in the salaries of officers and employees in the service of the Commonwealth and to repeal inconsistent provisions of existing laws relative to the classification and grading of stenographers and clerks" (Senate, No. 510); and the bill was read and, under the rule, was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Inmates of
institutions,
— mental
examinations.

The Bill to provide for the mental examination of inmates of penal and other public institutions (House, No. 1578), — was considered; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. McLane.

County
notes.

The Senate Bill relative to the issue of county notes in anticipation of certain assessments payable to the county (Senate, No. 505), — was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Pilgrim
Tercentenary
celebration.

The motion that the Senate reconsider the vote by which it had rejected the Senate Bill to provide for an investigation relative to the proper celebration of the tercentenary of the landing of the Pilgrims and the return of peace (Senate, No. 485), — was considered.

Mr. Mahoney moved that the further consideration thereof be postponed until the following Friday; and this motion was negatived, by a vote of 8 to 10.

The motion to reconsider was negatived.

Textile fac-
tories, —
specifications
to operatives.

The Bill relative to the specifications to be furnished certain operatives in textile factories (Senate, No. 7) — was read a second time; and the question on ordering the bill to a third reading was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Curran, George E.
Eames, Edward B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 16.

NAYS.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.

Messrs. Dahlborg, Edward N.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.

Messrs. Hardy, Walter A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.

Messrs. Loring, Augustus P.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 14.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. Arthur L. Nason,
Mr. John Cronin (present),
Mr. Joseph O. Knox,

NAYS.

Mr. George A. Hastings (present).
Mr. Warren E. Tarbell.
Mr. Charles S. Smith (present). — 6.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Curtin, John A.
McIntosh, David S.

Mr. Harold L. Perrin. — 3.

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to provide for a high school building commission for the city of Lowell (House, No. 1590, amended), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The House Bill relative to the duties and expenses of the Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions (House, No. 1611), — was read a second time and was amended, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, by inserting after the words "chief clerk", in line 7, and in the words added, by change, at the end of the bill, the words "with the approval of the Governor and Council"; and by inserting after the word "court", in line 13, and at the end of the bill as changed, the words "The tenure of service of such agents as were appointed by authority of chapter one hundred and sixty-four of the General Acts of the year nineteen hundred and eighteen, to be employed during the present war and for one year after its termination, is hereby made permanent." The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions, — duties and expenses.

The Senate Bill relative to the issuance of search-warrants for the seizure of firearms and dangerous weapons held for unlawful purposes (Senate, No. 500) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time and was amended, on motion of Mr. Walsh, by inserting before the enacting clause the following emergency preamble: —

Firearms, — issuance of search-warrants.

"Whereas, Existing conditions are such that the preservation of the public safety and maintenance of order require the immediate passage and taking effect of this act, accordingly it is hereby declared to be an emergency law."; and by adding the following new section: —

"SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage."

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill to provide for the regulation and licensing of day nurseries (House, No. 1621), — was read a third time. Mr. McIntosh, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 511).

Day nurseries.

This amendment was adopted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 511), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Department of
the Treasurer
and Receiver-
General.

The House Bill relative to the department of the Treasurer and Receiver-General (House, No. 1623), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment previously adopted by the Senate, which was sent down for concurrence.

The House reports

House reports.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 761) of Harold J. Taylor relative to the burden of proof in actions on insurance policies;

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 522) of Alonzo P. Grinnell and others for the construction by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a State highway in the city of Lynn and towns of Wakefield and Saugus; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 52) of the Germantown Citizens Association that provision be made for State ownership and control of the Boston Elevated Railway Company and the West End Street Railway Company;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Curran, at eight minutes past five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, May 7, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Resolve to provide for refunding a sum of money to the Boston and Maine Railroad, paid by it to the Commonwealth through error (Senate, No. 361), ought to pass with an amendment, striking out, in lines 5 to 7, inclusive, the words "with interest thereon at three per cent from the twenty-fifth day of April, eighteen hundred and eighty-nine,";

Boston and
Maine Rail-
road, —
refund of
certain
money.

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading with the amendment pending.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the House Bill to provide for the auditing of accounts of cities and towns by the Director of the Bureau of Statistics (House, No. 1462), ought to pass;

Municipal
accounts, —
auditing.

By Mr. Churchill, for the same committee, that the House Bill relative to the State Guard (House, No. 1615), ought to pass; and

State Guard.

By Mr. McLane, for the same committee, that the Senate bills

Relative to the salaries of the members, secretary and medical adviser of the Industrial Accident Board (Senate, No. 466); and

Industrial
Accident
Board, —
salaries.

Relative to retiring and pensioning county employees (printed as House, No. 998); and

County em-
ployees, —
retirement.

The House bills

To establish the salaries of certain employees of the county of Bristol (House, No. 677, changed);

Bristol
County, —
salaries of
employees.

To regulate the travelling expenses of clerks and assistant clerks of courts (House, No. 1115) (recommitted); and

Clerks of
Courts, —
travelling
expenses.

To provide for the completion by the Metropolitan Park Commission of boulevards and roadways already authorized by law (House, No. 1604), — severally, ought to pass;

Metropolitan
boulevards
and roadways,
— completion.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Cavanagh, for the joint committee on the Judiciary, that the recommitted House Bill to prevent the promotion of anarchy (House, No. 1502, changed), ought to pass in a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 515);

Anarchy.

By Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, for the committee on Legal Affairs, on the report of the Special Commission on Motor-Vehicles (House, No. 1450) (in part), a Bill to regulate the purchase and sale of second-hand motor-vehicles and parts thereof (Senate, No. 512); and

Second-hand
motor-vehicles,
— purchase
and sale.

Mineral
Products
Company.

By Mr. Knox, for the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of Thomas I. Hogan, a Bill to revive the corporation known as the Mineral Products Company (Senate, No. 481);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

State Guard,
— disposition
of uniforms.

By Mr. Reed, for the committee on Military Affairs, on the petitions of George F. Hogan and others (accompanied by bill, House, No. 28); of Roland D. Sawyer (accompanied by bill, House, No. 29); of Charles Symonds (accompanied by bill, House, No. 75); of Edward A. Scigliano (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1232); and of Walter H. Creamer and others (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1271), a Bill relative to the disposition of the uniforms used by the State Guard (Senate, No. 514); and

Belchertown
and Amherst,
— improve-
ment of
highway.

By Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, for the committee on Roads and Bridges, on the petition of George B. Churchill (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 123), a Bill to provide for the improvement of the highway between the towns of Belchertown and Amherst (Senate, No. 513);

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Prisoners, —
release on
probation.

By Mr. Loring, for the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1052) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to the release of prisoners upon probation; and

Proposed
legislation, —
promoting or
opposing
for hire.

By Mr. Counihan, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 16) of Robert M. Washburn relative to promoting or opposing proposed legislation for hire;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Taken from the Table.

Municipal
lighting, —
managers.

On motion of Mr. Reed, the Bill relative to managers of municipal lighting (printed as House, No. 351), — was taken from the table and considered; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of the same Senator.

Motion to Reconsider.

Employees of
hotels and
restaurants, —
one day's
rest in seven.

Mr. Nichols moved that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, the House Bill to provide for one day's rest in seven for employees of hotels and restaurants (printed as Senate, No. 81, amended); and the further consideration of this motion was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of the same Senator.

Order Adopted.

Mr. Eames offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit:—

Ordered, That the time within which the following joint committees are required, under the provisions of the 10th joint rule, to make final report upon all matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended to Wednesday, May 14, to wit:—

Joint committees, —
reports.

Administration and Commissions, Education, Judiciary, Legal Affairs, Roads and Bridges, Street Railways, Taxation and Ways and Means.

Subsequently, the same Senator, for the joint committee on Rules, reported that the order ought to be adopted; and it was considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, further moved by Mr. Eames, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

To enable the Metropolitan Park Commission to make certain improvements not provided for in the appropriations for ordinary maintenance expenses (House, No. 1649, — on the bill, House, No. 546, changed, taken from the House files; the petition of John R. Nelson, accompanied by bill, House, No. 645; and, in part, on the resolve, House, No. 144, taken from the House files; and the petition of Fred J. Brown, accompanied by bill, House, No. 202; the petition of Benjamin C. Lane, accompanied by bill, House, No. 207; the petition of Harry C. Woodill, accompanied by bill, House, No. 208; the petition of John A. Hirsch, accompanied by bill, House, No. 228; the petition of Charles D. Bradbury, accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 272 and 638; the petition of Arthur N. Newhall, accompanied by bill, House, No. 275; the petition of the mayor of the city of Newton, accompanied by bill, House, No. 640; the petition of the mayor of the city of Quincy, accompanied by bill, House, No. 646; the petition of John H. Cogswell, accompanied by resolve, House, No. 786; the petition of Willis P. Howard and others, accompanied by bill, House, No. 790; the petition of Roscoe Walsworth and others, accompanied by bill, House, No. 795; the petition of William A. Kneeland, accompanied by bill, House, No. 957; and the petition of Frank H. Cowin, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1085); and

Metropolitan
reservations
and parkways,
— completion.

To authorize the Metropolitan Park Commission to acquire certain lands on the banks of the Mystic Lakes in the towns of Arlington and Winchester and the city of Medford (House, No. 1655, — on the report of the said commission relative thereto, House, No. 238; and on the petition of Jacob Bitzer and others, accompanied by bill, House, No. 955);

Mystic Lakes,
— protection
and use.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills

Middlesex
County
Creamery
Company,
Incorporated.
Newton Real
Estate
Association.

To revive the corporation known as the Middlesex County Creamery Company, Incorporated (House, No. 1553, on the petition of Cornelius A. Parker); and

Relative to the Newton Real Estate Association (House, No. 1670, — on the petition of the same, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1554);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Veto, — use
of voting-
machines.

Notice was received from the House that the engrossed Bill relative to the use of voting-machines (see House, No. 1038, changed), having been returned by His Excellency the Governor with his objections thereto in writing (see House, No. 1669), had failed to pass.

Taxation, —
travel.

The following House order was adopted, in concurrence: —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation be authorized to travel, in the discharge of their duties, within the city of Boston, on or before May 10.

Engrossed Bills Amended.

Lexington, —
additional
water supply.

An engrossed Bill to authorize the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board to provide an additional supply of water for the town of Lexington (see Senate, No. 368, amended), — came up, amended as follows: —

In section 2, by striking out, in the second sentence, the words “such terms as the General Court may subsequently provide upon the recommendation of the Governor”, and inserting in place thereof the words “terms not exceeding forty years, as recommended by the Governor in his message to the General Court dated April twenty-fourth, nineteen hundred and nineteen”; also by striking out section 3.

Senate Rules Nos. 36 and 49 were suspended, on motions of Mr. Smith, and the amendments were considered forthwith and were adopted, in concurrence.

Milton and
Hyde Park, —
additional
water supply.

An engrossed Bill to authorize the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board to provide an additional water supply for the town of Milton and the Hyde Park district of the city of Boston (see Senate, No. 369, amended), — came up, amended as follows: —

In section 2, by striking out, in the second sentence, the words “such terms as the General Court may subsequently provide upon the recommendation of the Governor”, and inserting in place thereof the words “terms not exceeding forty years, as recommended by the Governor in his message to the General Court dated April twenty-fourth, nineteen hundred and nineteen”; also by striking out section 3.

Senate Rules Nos. 36 and 49 were suspended, on motions of Mr. Smith, and the amendments were considered forthwith and were adopted, in concurrence.

East Boston,
— additional
water-main.

An engrossed Bill to enable the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board to provide an additional water-main for the

supply of the East Boston district of the city of Boston (see Senate, No. 370, amended), — came up, amended as follows:

In section 2, by striking out, in the second sentence, the words "such terms as the General Court may subsequently provide upon the recommendation of the Governor", and inserting in place thereof the words "terms not exceeding forty years, as recommended by the Governor in his message to the General Court dated April twenty-fourth, nineteen hundred and nineteen"; also by striking out section 3.

Senate Rules Nos. 36 and 49 were suspended, on motions of Mr. Smith, and the amendments were considered forthwith and were adopted, in concurrence.

Bill Enacted.

An engrossed Bill to extend the time for filing returns of taxable property by foreign corporations (which originated in the Senate), — was passed to be enacted and was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Bill enacted
and laid
before the
Governor.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Bill to authorize the city of Boston to acquire certain property of historical interest (Senate, No. 508), — was passed to be engrossed.

Boston, —
taking of
certain prop-
erty for
historical
purposes.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 206) of James J. Moynihan relative to the election of the city council of Boston; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 956) of James H. Brennan relative to the terms of office of councilmen in the city of Boston; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1086) of Edward J. Cox and others that the city of Boston be divided into districts for the election of members of the city council of said city, — was considered, the question being on accepting it.

Boston, —
city council.

Mr. Smith moved that the further consideration of the report be postponed until the following Tuesday.

Mr. Beck moved that the further consideration of the report be postponed until the following Monday.

The question being put on the motion of Mr. Smith (that motion having precedence, under the rule), the same prevailed; and, accordingly, the further consideration of the report was postponed until the following Tuesday.

The House Report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 104) of John J. Kearney relative to regulating the days of employment in certain manufacturing and mercantile establishments, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of Mr. Walsh.

Manufacturing
and mercantile
establish-
ments, — days
of employment.

Employees of hotels, restaurants, stables and garages, — one day in seven.

The House Report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 115) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for one day's rest in seven for employees of hotels, restaurants, stables and garages, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of Mr. Walsh.

Day nurseries.

The Senate Bill to provide for the regulation and licensing of day nurseries (Senate, No. 511), — was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Reed moved that the bill be referred to the next General Court; and this motion was negatived.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Brockton, — election of superintendent of public buildings.

The House Report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 431) of William L. Gleason, mayor, and another that the city of Brockton be authorized to elect its superintendent of public buildings, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Dahlborg.

Metropolitan water sources and basins, — utilization of water-power.

The House Report of the committee on Water Supply, no legislation necessary, on the special report of the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board relative to the practicability of utilizing the force of the water flowing from the sources and storage basins of the metropolitan system (House, No. 1561), — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Nason.

Feeble-minded persons, — commitment.

The Senate Bill providing for the commitment by the Superior Court of feeble-minded persons held for trial (printed as House, No. 778), — was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The Senate adopted the pending amendment previously recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, — striking out, in lines 6 and 7, the words "in said Commonwealth", and inserting in place thereof the words "under the supervision of the Commission on Mental Diseases".

By a vote of 8 to 17, the Senate rejected the pending amendment previously moved by Mr. Dahlborg, — striking out, in line 6 (as changed), the words "a school for the feeble-minded", and inserting in place thereof the words "an institution for defective delinquents".

Mr. Beck moved that the bill, as amended, be referred to the next General Court; and this motion was negatived, by a vote of 9 to 15.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill to provide for the mental examination of inmates of penal and other public institutions (House, No. 1578), — was considered; and the Senate refused to order it to a third reading.

Inmates of institutions, — mental examinations.

The engrossed Bill to suspend the civil service laws and regulations in favor of returning soldiers and sailors (see House, No. 1543, amended), — was considered; and, pending the question on adopting the amendments recommended by His Excellency the Governor, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Weston, by a vote of 12 to 8.

Returning soldiers and sailors, — civil service.

The Senate Bill relative to the construction, installation, safety appliances and safe operation of range boilers, storage tanks, or other vessels or containers in which hot water may be confined (Senate, No. 506), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, the bill was referred to the next General Court.

Range boilers.

The Bill to regulate increases in the salaries of officers and employees in the service of the Commonwealth and to repeal inconsistent provisions of existing laws relative to the classification and grading of stenographers and clerks (Senate, No. 510), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Reed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Friday.

Stenographers and clerks, — classification and grading.

The House Bill relative to the filing of local referendum petitions in the city of Chelsea (printed as Senate, No. 456), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Chelsea, — local referendum petitions.

The bills

To forbid the employment of members of the General Court, or officers of the Commonwealth to favor or oppose questions coming before the voters of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 507);

Relative to appointments and promotions in the police force of cities and towns (Senate, No. 509); and

Relative to certain fees of town clerks (House, No. 1657);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill relative to the specifications to be furnished certain operatives in textile factories (Senate, No. 7), — was read a third time. Mr. Counihan, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out section 3.

Textile factories, — specifications to operatives.

This amendment was adopted.

The question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Eames, Edward B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John

Messrs. Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Winchester, Charles A. — 16.

NAYS.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Curtin, John A.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Loring, Augustus P.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Smith, Charles S.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 13.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. John J. Kearney,
Mr. George E. Curran,
Mr. John J. Walsh (present),

NAYS.

Mr. Arthur W. Colburn (present).
Mr. Leonard F. Hardy (present).
Mr. Clarence W. Hobbs, Jr. — 6.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Dahlborg, Edward N.
Finkel, Samuel B.

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Knox, Joseph O. — 4.

So the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

House bill.

The House Bill to provide for a high school building commission for the city of Lowell (House, No. 1590, amended), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Motor-vehicles,
— penalty for
careless
operation.

The Senate Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 28) of John E. Beck that a penalty be provided for the careless operation of motor-vehicles, — was considered, the question being on accepting it.

Mr. Beck moved that the report be amended by substituting a "Bill relative to the operation of motor-vehicles" (Senate, No. 28); and this amendment was rejected.

The report was then accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Senate report.

The Senate Report of the committee on Legal Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1057) of M. A. O'Brien, Jr., that provision be made for care of the graves of soldiers, sailors and marines, — was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Secretary of
the Common-
wealth, — fees
of city and
town clerks;

The Senate Report of the committee on Legal Affairs, no legislation necessary, on so much of the twenty-seventh annual report of the Secretary of the Commonwealth as relates to fees

of city and town clerks for recording and transmitting returns of births, marriages and deaths (Pub. Doc. No. 46), — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Friday, on motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden.

returns of
births, mar-
riages and
deaths.

On motion of Mr. Beck, at two minutes before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, May 8, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*Soldiers and
sailors, —
testimonials.

By Mr. Curran, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill to provide for a testimonial to those residents of Massachusetts who served in the army or navy during the present war (House, No. 1433), ought to pass;

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Supreme
Judicial and
Superior
Courts, —
salaries of
messengers
in Suffolk
County.

By Mr. Hastings, for the committee on Public Service, on the special report of the Supervisor of Administration (House, No. 1451) (in part), a Bill to establish the salaries of the messengers of the Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts situated in Suffolk County (Senate, No. 516);

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Attorney-
General, —
opinion relative
to rates to be
charged by gas
companies.

By Mr. Beck, for the committee on Rules, that the Senate Order that the Senate request the opinion of the Attorney-General as to whether a gas company, as defined in section one of chapter seven hundred and forty-two of the Acts of nineteen hundred and fourteen, may lawfully, after the establishment by the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners or otherwise of a net maximum rate to be charged by such company, establish a gross rate, in excess of said net rate, which shall be paid by all customers who do not, prior to a specified date, pay the net rate, — ought to be adopted;

Read, and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator, and adopted.

*Reconsideration.*Textile fac-
tories, —
specifications
to operatives.

Mr. Hardy of Worcester moved that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had passed to be engrossed, with amendments, the Senate Bill relative to the specifications to be furnished certain operatives in textile factories (Senate, No. 7); and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Curtin, John A.

Messrs. Dahlborg, Edward N.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
McIntosh, David S.

Messrs. Nichols, Malcolm E.
Smith, Charles S.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 18.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Eames, Edward B.
Foley, William J.

Messrs. Halliwell, John
Kearney, John J.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 15.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. Harold L. Perrin,
Mr. Samuel B. Finkel,
Mr. Clarence W. Hobbs, Jr.,

NAYS.

Mr. Silas D. Reed (present).
Mr. Francis Prescott (present).
Mr. Peter F. Sullivan (present). — 6.

So the motion to reconsider prevailed.

Mr. Cavanagh moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until the following Monday; and this motion was negatived, by a vote of 9 to 19.

The recurring question on passing the bill to be engrossed, as previously amended, was then determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Eames, Edward B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Reed, Silas D.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 17.

NAYS.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.

Messrs. Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Jackson, George H.
Loring, Augustus P.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Smith, Charles S.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 16.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. Francis Prescott (present),
Mr. Joseph O. Knox (present),
Mr. Peter F. Sullivan (present),

NAYS.

Mr. Samuel B. Finkel.
Mr. Harold L. Perrin.
Mr. Clarence W. Hobbs, Jr. — 6.

So the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Taken from the Table.

Common
carriers. —
liability.

On motion of Mr. Loring, the Senate Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 259) of George A. Burnes that common carriers be liable for larceny of merchandise and for failure to pay over money collected on merchandise, — was taken from the table and considered, the question being on accepting it.

On motion of Mr. Loring, the report was amended by substituting a "Bill to penalize carriers for the retention or disposition of certain funds received from consignees contrary to the instructions of consignors" (Senate, No. 519); and the bill was read and, under the rule, was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Petitions.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows:—

Widow of
Robert Herter,
— annuity.

By Mr. McLane, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 517) of Leland Powers and others that the county of Suffolk be authorized to pay an annuity to the widow of Robert Herter;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. Beck, to the committee on Counties.

Id.

By Mr. McLane, a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 518) of Leland Powers and others that the Commonwealth be authorized to pay an annuity to the widow of Robert Herter;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. Beck, to the joint committee on Ways and Means.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Saugus, —
salary of
trial justice.

A Bill to increase the salary of the trial justice of the town of Saugus (House, No. 551, amended, — on the petition of George L. Nourse and others), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills

Metropolitan
district, —
transportation
of pupils.

Relative to the transportation of school pupils in the metropolitan district, including the city of Cambridge (House, No. 1386, amended, — substituted for the House Report of the committee on Street Railways, "leave to withdraw", on the petition of Frederic F. Clauss); and

Pilgrim Ter-
centenary
celebration, —
improvements
in Plymouth.

To authorize the Pilgrim Tercentenary Commission to acquire certain land in the town of Plymouth, and to provide for celebrating the anniversary of the first settlement of the Pilgrims (House, No. 1635, — on the petitions of Elmer L. Briggs, accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 317 and 718; and the petition of Anson B. Edgerly, accompanied by bill, House, No. 847);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

A Report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1388) of the mayor of the city of Revere that the Bay State Street Railway Company be authorized to acquire the rights of the Boston Elevated Railway Company in East Boston and the East Boston tunnel and to discontinue the use of certain of its lines in the city of Boston, — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Bay State Street Railway Company, — privileges in East Boston and Boston.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate Bill to set off and incorporate a part of the town of Salisbury as the town of Salisbury Beach (Senate, No. 491), had been rejected by the House;

Town of Salisbury Beach, — incorporation.

Also that the Senate petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 464) of Fred E. Barrett that he be compensated for the loss of an eye as the result of an accident due to negligence of an employee of the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board, had been referred, under the provisions of the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the House having refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of said rule.

Fred E. Barrett, — compensation for injury.

The Senate Bill to regulate increases in the price of gas and electricity (Senate, No. 425, amended), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment inserting after the word "commercial", in line 5, the words "or other".

Gas and electricity, — increases in price.

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Nason, and the amendment was considered forthwith and was adopted, in concurrence.

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to a petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1672) of John C. Gilbert and others for the payment of a sum of money to the widow of Charles F. Gray, lately employed in the department of the Auditor of the Commonwealth; and, accordingly, under the said rule, the petition was referred to the next General Court.

Widow of Charles F. Gray.

House petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1680) of the General Lander Building Association that the city of Lynn be authorized to accept in trust a conveyance of the Grand Army building in said city;

Lynn, — acceptance of the Grand Army building.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Cities.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1671) of Irving F. French and others for the establishment of the Tewksbury Fire and Water District;

Tewksbury Fire and Water District.

Under a suspension of the 12th and 9th joint rules, to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

Relative to the compensation of the court officer of the Land Court sitting in the county of Suffolk;

Relative to the retirement of certain officers of the county of Worcester;

To provide for the removal of offensive sewage from Blackstone River by the city of Worcester;

To authorize the clerks of the Superior Court to maintain offices in certain cities and towns; and

To regulate the salaries of engineers, assistant engineers and firemen in the prison service of the Commonwealth.

Resolve
passed, etc.

An engrossed Resolve to authorize the city of Taunton to pay a sum of money to the next of kin of Mary Jane Flynn (which originated in the House), — was passed and, with the above-named bills, was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Municipal
lighting, —
managers.

The Senate Bill relative to managers of municipal lighting (printed as House, No. 351), — was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading. On motion of Mr. Nason, the bill was referred to the next General Court.

Persons in
military or
naval service,
— extension of
time of certain
privileges and
immunities.

The Senate Report of the committee on Reconstruction, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 417) of Samuel B. Finkel that the time be extended during which certain privileges and immunities conferred upon persons in the military or naval service of the United States may be enjoyed, — was considered; and, pending the amendment previously moved by Mr. Finkel, and pending the main question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Loring.

The House reports

Brockton, —
election of
superintendent
of public
buildings.

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 431) of William L. Gleason, mayor, and another that the city of Brockton be authorized to elect its superintendent of public buildings; and

Metropolitan
water sources
and basins, —
utilization of
water-power.

Of the committee on Water Supply, no legislation necessary, on the special report of the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board relative to the practicability of utilizing the force of the water flowing from the sources and storage basins of the metropolitan system (House, No. 1561);

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Metropolitan
Water and
Sewerage

The Bill to provide for the completion of the Wellesley extension of the high-level sewer authorized by chapter three hundred

and forty-three of the Acts of the year nineteen hundred and fourteen (Senate, No. 486), — was ordered to a third reading.

Board, —
completion of
Wellesley high-
level sewer.

The House Report of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 54) of John J. Walsh that the maximum rate of fare charged by the Boston Elevated Railway Company be five cents and that any deficiency in revenue be paid by the Commonwealth, — was considered; and, pending the amendment previously moved by Mr. Walsh, and pending the main question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of the same Senator.

Boston Ele-
vated Railway
Company, —
five-cent fares.

The engrossed Bill to suspend the civil service laws and regulations in favor of returning soldiers and sailors (see House, No. 1543, amended), — was considered, the question being on adopting the following amendments, recommended by His Excellency the Governor, to wit: —

Returning
soldiers and
sailors, —
civil service.

Adding after the words "Section 3" the following: — "The provisions of this act shall not apply to an appointment until all veterans of the present war who have qualified in the classified service and are eligible to such appointment have been certified for such appointment and appointed or rejected in accordance with law; nor shall it apply to the appointing of policemen or firemen; nor shall it apply to appointments to any health service which the Civil Service Commission, with the approval of the Governor and Council, may from time to time declare requires a special technical training;" and by striking out in section 3 (in lines 8 to 11, inclusive, as printed), the words "nor shall it be deemed to dispense with existing laws and regulations requiring applicants for positions in a police or fire department to pass a physical examination."

The question on adopting the amendments was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.

Messrs. Prescott, Francis
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 4.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 31.

YEA.	PAIRED.	NAY.
Mr. Clarence W. Hobbs, Jr.,		Mr. Charles S. Smith (present). — 2.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.	
Mr. Samuel B. Finkel,	Mr. Harold L. Perrin. — 2.

So the amendments were rejected.
The bill was then passed to be enacted.

The bills

Bills.

Relative to the salaries of the members, secretary and medical adviser of the Industrial Accident Board (Senate, No. 466);

To revive the corporation known as the Mineral Products Company (Senate, No. 481);

To regulate the purchase and sale of second-hand motor vehicles and parts thereof (Senate, No. 512);

To prevent the promotion of anarchy (Senate, No. 515);

To establish the salaries of certain employees of the county of Bristol (House, No. 677, changed);

To regulate the travelling expenses of clerks and assistant clerks of courts (House, No. 1115);

To provide for the auditing of accounts of cities and towns by the Director of the Bureau of Statistics (House, No. 1462);

To revive the corporation known as the Middlesex County Creamery Company, Incorporated (House, No. 1553);

To provide for the completion by the Metropolitan Park Commission of boulevards and roadways already authorized by law (House, No. 1604);

Relative to the State Guard (House, No. 1615); and

Relative to the Newton Real Estate Association (House, No. 1670);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

County employees, — retirement.

The Senate Bill relative to retiring and pensioning county employees (printed as House, No. 998), — was read a second time; and, by a vote of 8 to 13, the Senate refused to order it to a third reading.

Boston and Maine Railroad, — refunding of certain money.

The Senate Resolve to provide for refunding a sum of money to the Boston and Maine Railroad, paid by it to the Commonwealth through error (Senate, No. 361), — was read a second time and was amended, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, by striking out, in lines 5 to 7, inclusive, the words "with interest thereon at three per cent from the twenty-fifth day of April, eighteen hundred and eighty-nine." The resolve, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

Police forces, — appointments and promotions.

The Senate Bill relative to appointments and promotions in the police forces of cities and towns (Senate, No. 509) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time.

Mr. Prescott moved that the bill be amended in section 1, by striking out, in line 2, the words "and towns."

Mr. Counihan moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until the next session.

Mr. Reed moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until the following Monday.

The question being put on the motion of Mr. Reed (that motion having precedence, under the rule), the same prevailed; and, accordingly, the further consideration of the bill was postponed until the following Monday, the amendment moved by Mr. Prescott pending.

The House Bill relative to certain fees of town clerks (House, House bill. No. 1657), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Bill relative to the duties and expenses of the Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions (House No. 1611), — was read a third time, as previously amended. Mr. McIntosh, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following: — "SECTION 1. Chapter five hundred and eighty-seven of the Acts of nineteen hundred and fourteen, as amended by chapter one hundred and sixty-four of the General Acts of nineteen hundred and eighteen, is hereby further amended by striking out section one and substituting the following: — *Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions, — duties and expenses.*
Section 1. The Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions, appointed under the provisions of chapter one hundred and ninety-two of the Acts of nineteen hundred and two, shall perform the duties required of him under the laws relative to State and military aid. He shall investigate, so far as the interests of the Commonwealth may require, all payments for State and military aid under the provisions of this act. He shall be a State agent for the settlement of pensions, bounty and back pay claims of citizens of this Commonwealth against the government of the United States, shall be allowed his travelling expenses when it is necessary for him to visit the city of Washington, and may expend for such purposes and for all other expenses necessary to the proper performance of his duties such sums as the General Court may appropriate. He shall furnish information, prepare papers and expedite the adjudication of claims, and assist claimants in proving their cases, and shall keep a record of the work done in his office and make an annual report thereof to the General Court. The deputy commissioner appointed under the provisions of said chapter one hundred and ninety-two shall be subject to the direction and control of the commissioner. In case the commissioner is temporarily absent or unable from any cause to perform the duties of his office, the deputy shall perform the duties of the commissioner until such absence or disability ceases. The commissioner shall receive an annual salary of thirty-two hundred dollars, and the deputy commissioner shall receive an annual salary of twenty-three hundred dollars, and

each shall devote his whole time to the duties of his office. The commissioner may, with the approval of the Governor and Council, appoint a chief clerk and not exceeding five other clerks and stenographers, and twelve agents. The salaries of said chief clerk, clerks, stenographers and agents shall be fixed in accordance with the provisions of chapter two hundred and twenty-eight of the General Acts of nineteen hundred and eighteen and within the limit of the amount annually appropriated by the General Court."

This amendment was adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

The Senate reports

Senate reports.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 16) of Robert M. Washburn relative to promoting or opposing proposed legislation for hire; and

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1052) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to the release of prisoners upon probation;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Beck, at five minutes past five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

FRIDAY, May 9, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Henry Hallam Saunderson of Boston.

Reports of a Committee.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill to enable the Metropolitan Park Commission to make certain improvements not provided for in the appropriations for ordinary maintenance expenses (House, No. 1649), ought to pass;

Metropolitan Park Commission, — improvements on boulevards and parkways.

By Mr. Churchill, for the same committee, that the Senate bills

To authorize the Secretary of the Commonwealth to appoint an additional clerk to index and classify historical manuscripts (Senate, No. 477), and

Secretary of the Commonwealth, — additional clerk.

To establish the office of an additional second assistant district attorney for the northern district, to fix the salary thereof, and to establish the office of assistant district attorney for the western district (Senate, No. 497); and

Northern and Western districts, — district attorneys.

The House Bill relative to clerical assistance for county treasurers (House, No. 172), — severally, ought to pass; and

County treasurers, — clerical assistance.

By Mr. Curran, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill relative to the disposition of the uniforms used by the State Guard (Senate, No. 514), ought to pass;

State Guard, — disposition of uniforms.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill to provide for the testing of poultry for the elimination of disease (House, No. 1673, amended, — on the petition of the Massachusetts Poultry Association and another, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1023), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Poultry, — testing for disease.

Bills

Relative to the term of office of the mayor of the city of Boston (House, No. 1643, amended, — substituted for the Senate Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, "leave to withdraw", on the petition of Martin Hays, accompanied by bill, House, No. 205); and

Boston, — term of office of mayor.

To regulate the width, height and length of commercial vehicles and motor trucks and their trailers (House, No. 1667, amended, — on the petition of Harry R. Sackett, accompanied by bill, House, No. 695; and in part on the report of the special commission relative thereto, House, No. 1450);

Vehicles, trucks and trailers, — width, height and length.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Reports

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court:

Partnerships, —
uniform laws.

On so much of the recommendations of the Board of Commissioners for the Promotion of Uniformity of Legislation in the United States (House, No. 426) as relates to making uniform the laws relative to partnerships (accompanied by bill, House, No. 427); and

Limited partnerships, —
uniform laws.

On so much of the recommendations of the Board of Commissioners for the Promotion of Uniformity of Legislation in the United States (House, No. 426) as relates to making uniform the law relating to limited partnerships (accompanied by bill, House, No. 428);

Attorney-General, —
laws creating monopolies.

Of the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the report of the Attorney-General as to whether the operation of certain laws of the Commonwealth tend to the creating of monopolies (Senate, No. 251);

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw:

Trinity Church in Boston, —
statue of Phillips Brooks.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1217) of Charles W. Eliot that Trinity Church in the city of Boston be authorized to remove the St. Gaudens statue of Phillips Brooks from its present location; and

Law of the road.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1251) of Leland Powers relative to the law of the road;

Boston penal institutions department, —
civil service.

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (recommitted) (accompanied by bill, House, No. 680) of Timothy J. Driscoll that certain employees in the penal institutions department of the city of Boston be placed under civil service; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw:

Certain common carriers, —
licensing by local authorities.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 93) of Walter L. Libby and others relative to the licensing of motor-vehicles, trackless trolleys, street railways and common carriers of passengers and freight (Mr. Manning of Brockton, of the House, dissenting); and

Lynn, —
acquisition of lines of the Bay State Street Railway Company.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1305) of Ralph S. Bauer relative to the acquisition and operation by the city of Lynn of lines and equipment of the Bay State Street Railway Company within said city (Messrs. Allen of Lynn, Manning of Brockton and Cowin of Boston, of the House, dissenting);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

The following House order (reported by the committee on Street Railways as a new draft of order referred to that committee) was adopted, in concurrence: —

Boston Elevated Railway Company, —
financial condition and physical valuation of property.

Ordered, That the Board of Trustees of the Boston Elevated Railway Company be requested to furnish the General Court a statement of the financial condition of the Boston Elevated Railway Company at the time when the said board assumed control of the company, and a like statement as of January 1, 1919; and also that the said board be ordered to furnish

the General Court an itemized physical valuation report of all used and unused property, real and other, owned, directly or indirectly, by the Boston Elevated Railway Company on January 1, 1919.

Emergency Preambles Adopted.

An engrossed Bill to validate certain votes taken by towns in the current year (see Senate, No. 440, amended), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was taken by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

Certain votes
of towns, —
validation.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 33.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Loring, Augustus P.
McIntosh, David S.
Smith, Charles S. — 6.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

An engrossed Bill to validate certain appropriations by cities and towns for soldiers' and sailors' memorials (see House, No. 1592), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was taken by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

Soldiers' and
sailors' memo-
rials, —
municipal
appropriations.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.

Messrs. Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.

Messrs. Knox, Joseph O.
 Mahoney, John J.
 McLane, Walter E.
 Nason, Arthur L.
 Nichols, Malcolm E.
 Perrin, Harold L.
 Prescott, Francis

Messrs. Reed, Silas D.
 Sullivan, Peter F.
 Tarbell, Warren E.
 Walsh, John J.
 Weston, Thomas, Jr.
 Winchester, Charles A. — 33

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
 Finkel, Samuel B.
 Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Loring, Augustus P.
 McIntosh, David S.
 Smith, Charles S. — 6.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Bills enacted
 and laid before
 the Governor.

To authorize the city of Revere to sell certain property in the town of Saugus; and

Relative to the hours of registration of voters in certain small towns.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Persons in
 military or
 naval service,
 — extension of
 time of certain
 privileges and
 immunities.

The Senate Report of the committee on Reconstruction, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 417) of Samuel B. Finkel that the time be extended during which certain privileges and immunities conferred upon persons in the military or naval service of the United States may be enjoyed, — was considered; and, pending the amendment previously moved by Mr. Finkel, and pending the main question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Counihan.

Secretary of
 the Common-
 wealth. — fees
 of city and
 town clerks;
 returns of
 births, mar-
 riages and
 deaths.

The Senate Report of the committee on Legal Affairs, no legislation necessary, on so much of the twenty-seventh annual report of the Secretary of the Commonwealth as relates to fees of city and town clerks for recording and transmitting returns of births, marriages and deaths (Pub. Doc. No. 46), — was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Stenographers
 and clerks, —
 classification
 and grading.

The Bill to regulate increases in the salaries of officers and employees in the service of the Commonwealth and to repeal inconsistent provisions of existing laws relative to the classification and grading of stenographers and clerks (Senate, No. 510), — was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Reed moved that the bill be referred to the next General Court.

Mr. Smith moved that the bill be amended in section 1, by inserting after the word "act", in line 8, the words ", except officials and employees whose salaries are now or shall be regulated by statute,"; also by adding the following new section: "SECTION 3. Nothing in this act shall be construed as modifying in any respect salaries of officers or employees of the Commonwealth regulated by statute."

Pending these amendments and the motion of Mr. Reed that the bill be referred to the next General Court, and pending the main question of ordering the bill to a third reading, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Gifford, by a vote of 16 to 6.

The bills

To penalize carriers for the retention or disposition of certain Bills. funds received from consignees contrary to the instructions of consignors (Senate, No. 519);

Relative to the transportation of school pupils in the metropolitan district, including the city of Cambridge (House, No. 1386, amended); and

To provide for a testimonial to those residents of Massachusetts who served in the army or navy during the present war (House, No. 1433);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the Pilgrim Tercentenary Commission to acquire certain land in the town of Plymouth, and to provide for celebrating the anniversary of the first settlement of the Pilgrims (House, No. 1635), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Cavanagh, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session.

Pilgrim tercentenary celebration, — improvements in Plymouth.

The Senate bills

To revive the corporation known as the Mineral Products Company (Senate, No. 481); and Senate bills.

To prevent the promotion of anarchy (Senate, No. 515);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill to forbid the employment of members of the General Court, or officers of the Commonwealth to favor or oppose questions coming before the voters of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 507), — was read a third time. Mr. Counihan, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft entitled "An Act to forbid the paid employment of certain State officials or employees as to questions submitted to the voters" (Senate, No. 520).

Members and officers of General Court, — activity regarding questions coming before voters.

Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Nichols.

The House bills**House bills.**

To establish the salaries of certain employees of the county of Bristol (House, No. 677, changed);

To revive the corporation known as the Middlesex County Creamery Company, Incorporated (House, No. 1553); and

Relative to the State Guard (House, No. 1615);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Clerks of courts, — travelling expenses.

The House Bill to regulate the travelling expenses of clerks and assistant clerks of courts (House, No. 1115), — was read a third time. On motion of Mr. Hastings, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday.

Municipal accounts, — auditing.

The House Bill to provide for the auditing of accounts of cities and towns by the Director of the Bureau of Statistics (House, No. 1462), — was read a third time. On motion of Mr. Weston, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday.

House report.

The House Report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1388) of the mayor of the city of Revere that the Bay State Street Railway Company be authorized to acquire the rights of the Boston Elevated Railway Company in East Boston and the East Boston tunnel and to discontinue the use of certain of its lines in the city of Boston, — was accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Curtin, at nineteen minutes past twelve o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, May 12, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Engrossed Bill to Suspend the Civil Service Laws and Regulations in Favor of Returning Soldiers and Sailors, sent to the House for its action.

The President stated that on Thursday, May 8th, the engrossed Bill to suspend the civil service laws and regulations in favor of returning soldiers and sailors (see House, No. 1543, amended), which had been returned to the Senate by His Excellency the Governor with a recommendation that amendments specified by him be made therein, — which amendments had been considered and rejected, — had again been passed to be enacted by the Senate. The President announced that, at the request of the Committee on Rules, the Attorney-General had furnished the committee with a written opinion as to procedure necessary in the General Court in order that a bill, so returned, may again be laid before the Governor for his approbation. The communication to which the President referred was as follows: —

Returning soldiers and sailors, — civil service.

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,
BOSTON, May 12, 1919.

HON. EDWIN T. MCKNIGHT, *President of the Senate and Chairman of the Committee on Rules.*

SIR: — I beg to acknowledge your communication, dated May 9, 1919, in which you request my opinion upon the following questions: —

“When, in accordance with the provisions of Article LVI of the Amendments to the Constitution, a bill is returned by the Governor with a recommendation that amendments specified by him be made therein, and the branch to which the bill has been returned fails to amend it, what procedure must follow in that branch, or in both branches, in order that the said bill may again be laid before the Governor for his approbation?”

If the branch to which the bill is so returned fails to amend it, can that branch thereupon proceed to re-enact the bill, and return it to the Governor, without first giving the co-ordinate branch opportunity to consider the bill with reference to any amendment to which it may be subject, under the provisions of the said Article LVI?”

Article LVI of the Amendments to the Constitution reads as follows: —

“The Governor, within five days after any bill or resolve shall have been laid before him, shall have the right to return it to the branch of the General Court in which it originated with a recommendation that any amendment or amendments specified by him be made therein. Such bill or resolve shall

thereupon be before the General Court and subject to amendment and re-enactment. If such bill or resolve is re-enacted in any form it shall again be laid before the Governor for his action, but he shall have no right to return the same a second time with a recommendation to amend."

When a bill or resolve is returned under the provisions of this article to the branch of the General Court in which it originated, it is before the General Court and subject to amendment and re-enactment. If it is re-enacted in any form it shall again be laid before the Governor for his action.

I am of the opinion that the General Court is not restricted to the amendments proposed by the Governor in amending a bill returned. The suggestions of the Governor may entail further amendments, or other amendments may better secure the purposes his suggested amendments are designed to accomplish. That this was contemplated by the framers of the amendment seems plain from the third sentence of the amendment, which provides that if the "bill or resolve is re-enacted in *any* form it shall again be laid before the governor for his action." Furthermore, this provision of the article, in my judgment, requires re-enactment by both branches of the General Court of a bill returned. It is to be observed that there is no provision for again laying the bill before the Governor without re-enactment. It may be that one branch may be of the view that a bill as to which the Governor suggests an amendment should not be re-enacted without amendment. Part the second, chapter I, section I, article I, of the Constitution provides that each branch shall have a negative on the other. Thus it would seem to follow that a bill returned may be amended in such manner as the General Court may determine, or may be rejected; but before it can again be laid before the Governor for his action it must be re-enacted by the General Court, that is, by both branches thereof.

Accordingly, I am of the opinion that the answer to your first question is that the bill must be re-enacted by both branches of the General Court in order that it may again be laid before the Governor. The order in which it may be re-enacted by the Senate and House is a matter to be determined by the General Court.

Your second question is to be answered in the negative.

Very truly yours,

HENRY C. ATTWILL.

Attorney-General.

The President, continuing, said "If there is no objection, the vote of the Senate on Thursday last in again passing the bill to be enacted will be considered as not having been taken. Is there objection? The Chair hears no objection; and the Senate therefore, by unanimous consent, rescinds its action of last Thursday in re-enacting the bill. The bill will be sent down to the House for its action."

The bill was, accordingly, sent down to the House for its action.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Churchill asked unanimous consent that he might move that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at a previous session, it had non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to the House petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1672) of John C. Gilbert and others for the payment of a sum of money to the widow of Charles F. Gray, lately employed in the department of the Auditor of the Commonwealth; and, there being no objection, this motion was entertained; and it prevailed.

Widow of
Charles F.
Gray.

Pending the recurring question on concurring in the suspension of the 12th joint rule, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of the same Senator.

Petition.

Mr. Loring presented a petition of Martin T. Joyce and another that authority be granted to manufacture and sell lager beer, ale, porter and cider containing not more than four per cent of alcohol by weight.

Beer, ale,
porter and
cider contain-
ing not more
than 4 per
cent of alcohol.

Mr. McLane moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended with reference thereto.

Mr. Chamberlain moved that the motion to suspend the 12th joint rule be referred to the committee on Rules with instructions to give a hearing and report to the Senate what action should be taken thereon; and this motion was negatived.

The question on suspending the 12th joint rule was then determined as follows, to wit:

YEAS.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Cronin, John
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Walter A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Kearney, John J.

Messrs. Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 24.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Eames, Edward B.

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Jackson, George H.
Knox, Joseph O.
Smith, Charles S.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 11.

PAIRED.

YEA.

Mr. George E. Curran (present),

NAY.

Mr. Harold L. Perrin. — 2.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. Charles L. Gifford,

Mr. Leonard F. Hardy. — 2.

So the Senate refused to suspend the 12th joint rule (four-fifths of the Senators present and voting thereon, not having voted in the affirmative); and, accordingly, under the said rule, the petition was referred to the next General Court.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Roxbury
court, —
salaries of
court officers.

A Bill relative to the salaries of the court officers of the municipal court of the Roxbury district of the city of Boston (House, No. 285, changed, — on the petition of William C. Moore and another), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Courts, —
display of the
National flag.

A Bill to require the display of the National flag in courts of justice (House, No. 1682, — on the petition of Katherine L. Edwards, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1222), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Town-meetings,
— count of
vote.

The Senate Bill to dispense with a count of the vote in town-meetings in certain cases (Senate, No. 498, amended), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments inserting after the word "taken", in line 9, and also adding at the end thereof, respectively, the words ", and the clerk shall record the vote as unanimous".

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Halliwell, and the amendments were considered forthwith and were adopted, in concurrence.

Committee of
conference, —
soldiers'
relief and
military aid.

A Report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches with reference to the Senate Bill relative to the granting of soldiers' relief and military aid (Senate, No. 436), — came up, recommending that the House recede from its amendments; and that the bill be amended as follows: —

By inserting before the enacting clause the paragraph: "*Whereas*, The relief and aid provided for by the following act are needed at once, therefore the act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.";

In section 1, by inserting, in line 47, before the word "notify", the words ", within three days,";

In section 2, by inserting, in line 9, before the word "notify", the words ", within three days,"; and

By adding the following new section: "SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage."

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Reed, and the report was considered forthwith, and was accepted, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Reports

Boston, —
William T.
Hill of
Malden.

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 729) of Robert S. Hartstone that the city of Boston be au-

thorized to compensate William T. Hill of Malden for injuries received on a public way;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 184) of Herbert Parker and another that the Attorney-General may be enabled to take measures in the interest of the public safety;

Attorney-General, — measures for public safety.

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 617) of the Massachusetts Bar Association for a revision of the law of arrest on mesne process and the poor debtor law, and for supplementary proceedings in civil actions; and

Arrest on mesne process; poor debtors; civil actions.

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1282) of Albert P. Wadleigh relative to the prevention of the abuse or misuse of the so-called "tag day" method of soliciting from the public;

Soliciting of funds, — "tag day" method.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Notice was received from the House that the engrossed Bill to prohibit the killing of partridge or ruffed grouse until the open season in nineteen hundred and twenty (see House, No. 1486, amended) (which originated in the House), had been rejected by the House.

Partridge or ruffed grouse.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Relative to appropriations for school purposes in the city of Lynn;

Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

For the further regulation of public and private dances;

Relative to the filing of local referendum petitions in the city of Chelsea; and

To authorize the construction of a main trunk sewer to connect the town of Reading with the north metropolitan sewerage system.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 104) of John J. Kearney relative to regulating the days of employment in certain manufacturing and mercantile establishments, — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

Manufacturing and mercantile establishments, — days of employment.

Mr. Kearney moved that the further consideration thereof be postponed until the following Thursday.

Mr. McLane moved that the further consideration thereof be postponed until the other matters in the Orders of the Day should be disposed of.

The question was first put on the motion of Mr. Kearney (that motion having precedence, under the rule); and it was negatived.

The motion of Mr. McLane prevailed.

Subsequently, the other matters in the Orders of the Day having been disposed of, the report was again considered; and it was accepted, in concurrence.

Employees of hotels, restaurants, stables and garages, — one day in seven.

The House Report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 115) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for one day's rest in seven for employees of hotels, restaurants, stables and garages, — was accepted, in concurrence.

Persons in military or naval service, — extension of time of certain privileges and immunities.

The Senate Report of the committee on Reconstruction, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 417) of Samuel B. Finkel that the time be extended during which certain privileges and immunities conferred upon persons in the military or naval service of the United States may be enjoyed, — was considered, the main question being on accepting it.

By a vote of 17 to 7, the Senate adopted the pending amendment, previously moved by Mr. Finkel, — that a "Bill to extend the period during which suits against soldiers, sailors, or marines shall be continued" (Senate, No. 503), be substituted; and, accordingly, the bill was substituted; and it was read and, under the rule, was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Boston Elevated Railway Company, — five-cent fares.

The House Report of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 54) of John J. Walsh that the maximum rate of fare charged by the Boston Elevated Railway Company be five cents and that any deficiency in revenue be paid by the Commonwealth, — was considered; and, pending the amendment previously moved by Mr. Walsh, and pending the main question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of the same Senator.

Members and officers of General Court, — activity regarding questions coming before voters.

The Senate Bill to forbid the employment of members of the General Court, or officers of the Commonwealth to favor or oppose questions coming before the voters of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 507), — was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The Senate adopted the pending amendment previously recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, — that a "Bill to forbid the paid employment of certain State officials or employees as to questions submitted to the voters" (Senate, No. 520), be substituted; and, accordingly, the bill was substituted; and it was read and, under the rule, was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Police forces, — appointments and promotions.

The Senate Bill relative to appointments and promotions in the police forces of cities and towns (Senate, No. 509), — was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

There being no objection, Mr. Prescott withdrew the pending amendment previously moved by him.

On motion of the same Senator, the bill was amended in section 1, by inserting after the word "towns", in line 2, the words "whose police forces are within the classified civil service".

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the Pilgrim Tercentenary Commission to acquire certain land in the town of Plymouth, and to provide for celebrating the anniversary of the first settlement of the Pilgrims (House, No. 1635), — was considered; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of Mr. Cavanagh.

Pilgrim tercentenary celebration, — improvements in Plymouth.

The motion that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at a previous session, it had passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, the House Bill to provide for one day's rest in seven for employees of hotels and restaurants (printed as Senate, No. 81, amended), — was considered; and the question thereon was determined as follows, to wit: —

Employees of hotels and restaurants, — one day's rest in seven.

YEAS.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
McIntosh, David S.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 16

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Finkel, Samuel B.

Messrs. Foley, William J.
Kearney, John J.
Prescott, Francis
Sullivan, Peter F.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 12.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. George H. Jackson,
Mr. John A. Curtin,
Mr. Leonard F. Hardy,
Mr. Charles L. Gifford,
Mr. Harold L. Perrin,

NAYS.

Mr. John J. Mahoney (present).
Mr. Arthur L. Nason (present).
Mr. John Halliwell (present).
Mr. Edward A. Counihan, Jr. (present).
Mr. Walter E. McLane (present). — 10.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. Arthur W. Colburn. — 1.

So the motion to reconsider prevailed.

Mr. Mahoney moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until the next session; and this motion was negatived.

The recurring question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments previously adopted by the Senate, was then determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Callahan, Edward
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.

Messrs. Halliwell, John
Kearney, John J.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Walsh, John J. — 12.

NAYS.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Hardy, Walter A.

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
McIntosh, David S.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Smith, Charles S.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 16.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. Edward A. Counihan, Jr. (present),
Mr. Arthur L. Nason (present),
Mr. Charles A. Winchester (present),
Mr. Walter E. McLane (present),
Mr. John J. Mahoney (present),

NAYS.

Mr. Charles L. Gifford.
Mr. John A. Curtin.
Mr. Leonard F. Hardy.
Mr. Harold L. Perrin.
Mr. George H. Jackson. — 10.

. ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. Warren E. Tarbell. — 1.

So the bill was rejected.

The bills

Bills.

To authorize the Secretary of the Commonwealth to appoint an additional clerk to index and classify historical manuscripts (Senate, No. 477);

To establish the office of an additional second assistant district attorney for the Northern District, to fix the salary thereof, and to establish the office of assistant district attorney for the Western District (Senate, No. 497);

Relative to the disposition of the uniforms used by the State Guard (Senate, No. 514);

Relative to clerical assistance for county treasurers (House, No. 172); and

To enable the Metropolitan Park Commission to make certain improvements not provided for in the appropriations for ordinary maintenance expenses (House, No. 1649);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Boston, —
term of office
of mayor.

The Bill relative to the term of office of the mayor of the city of Boston (House, No. 1643, amended), — was read a second time.

Mr. Loring moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until the next session.

Mr. Nichols moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until the following Thursday.

The question being put on the motion of Mr. Nichols (that motion having precedence, under the rule), the same prevailed; and, accordingly, the further consideration of the bill was postponed until the following Thursday, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

The Bill to regulate the width, height and length of commercial vehicles and motor trucks and their trailers (House, No. 1667, amended), — was read a second time; and it was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 17 to 3.

Vehicles,
trucks and
trailers, —
width, height
and length.

The Senate Bill relative to the salaries of the members, secretary and medical adviser of the Industrial Accident Board (Senate, No. 466), — was read a third time. On motion of Mr. Prescott, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Wednesday.

Industrial
Accident
Board, —
salaries.

The Senate Bill to provide for further maintenance for the Taunton, Norton and Attleboro Street Railway (Senate, No. 502), — was read a third time.

Taunton,
Norton and
Attleboro
Street
Railway.

Mr. Reed moved that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft entitled "An Act to provide for further maintenance for the Norton, Taunton and Attleboro Street Railway" (Senate, No. 521).

Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of the same Senator.

The Senate Bill to penalize carriers for the retention or disposition contrary to the instructions of the consignor of certain funds received from a consignee (Senate, No. 519) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by inserting after the word "consignor", in line 3, the words "or his agent or from a connecting carrier".

Common car-
riers, —
liability.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Resolve to provide for refunding a sum of money to the Boston and Maine Railroad, paid by it to the Commonwealth through error (Senate, No. 361), — was read a third time as previously amended, and was further amended, on motion of Mr. Churchill, by adding at the end thereof the words "This resolve shall not take effect until an appropriation covering the said amount has been duly made."

Boston and
Maine Rail-
road, —
refund of
money.

The resolve, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House bills

To provide for a testimonial to residents of Massachusetts who served in the army or navy during the present war (House, No. 1433) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

House bills.

House bill.

To provide for the completion by the Metropolitan Park Commission of boulevards and roadways already authorized by law (House, No. 1604);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House reports**House reports.**

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on the report of the Attorney-General as to whether the operation of certain laws of the Commonwealth tend to the creating of monopolies (Senate, No. 251);

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the recommendations of the Board of Commissioners for the Promotion of Uniformity of Legislation in the United States (House, No. 426) as relates to making uniform the laws relative to partnerships (accompanied by bill, House, No. 427);

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the recommendations of the Board of Commissioners for the Promotion of Uniformity of Legislation in the United States (House, No. 426) as relates to making uniform the law relating to limited partnerships (accompanied by bill, House, No. 428);

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1217) of Charles W. Eliot that Trinity Church in the City of Boston be authorized to remove the St. Gaudens statue of Phillips Brooks from its present location;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1251) of Leland Powers relative to the law of the road;

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (recommitted) (accompanied by bill, House, No. 680) of Timothy J. Driscoll that certain employees in the penal institutions department of the city of Boston be placed under civil service;

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 93) of Walter L. Libby and others relative to the licensing of motor-vehicles, trackless trolleys, street railways and common carriers of passengers and freight; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1305) of Ralph S. Bauer relative to the acquisition and operation by the city of Lynn of lines and equipment of the Bay State Street Railway Company within said city;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Reed, at eighteen minutes past five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, May 13, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. McLane, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill to provide for the mental examination of school children with retarded mental development (House, No. 1577), — ought not to pass; School children with retarded development, — mental examination.

Read, and the bill placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on rejecting it.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the House Bill to increase the salary of the trial justice of the town of Saugus (House, No. 551, amended), ought to pass in a new draft entitled "An Act to establish the salary of the trial justice of the town of Saugus" (Senate, No. 533); Saugus, — salary of trial justice.

By Mr. Jackson, for the committee on Cities, on the petition of the General Lander Building Association, a Bill to authorize the city of Lynn to accept in trust a conveyance of the Grand Army Building in said city (printed as House, No. 1680); Lynn, — Grand Army Building.

By Mr. Cavanagh, for the joint committee on the Judiciary, on the report of the joint special recess committee on Workmen's Compensation (Senate, No. 334) (in part), a Bill relative to the payment by insurance companies of death or compensation benefits under the Workmen's Compensation Act (Senate, No. 525); Workmen's compensation, — death or compensation benefits.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the report of the joint special recess committee on Workmen's Compensation (Senate, No. 334) (in part), a Bill to provide for the payment of compensation and to establish a fund for the payment of part of the compensation due employees receiving second injuries which cause total incapacity for work (Senate, No. 526); Injured employees, — compensation for second injuries.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petitions of John J. Kearney (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 150); and of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor (accompanied by bill, House, No. 111); and on the report of the joint special recess committee on Workmen's Compensation (Senate, No. 334) (in part), a Bill relative to dependent children (Senate, No. 527); Dependent children.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of Freeman Hunt (accompanied by bill, House, No. 756); and on the report of the joint special recess committee on Workmen's Compensation (Senate, No. 334) (in part), a Bill relative to the minimum and maximum compensation for total incapacity (Senate, No. 528) (Mr. Abbott, of the House, dissenting); Injured employees, — compensation for total incapacity.

Injured employees, — partial incapacity.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petitions of John J. Kearney (accompanied by bill, Senate, Nos. 79 and 146); and of John Halliwell (accompanied by bill, Senate, Nos. 186 and 187); and on the report of the joint special recess committee on Workmen's Compensation (Senate, No. 334) (in part), a Bill relative to partial incapacity for work (Senate, No. 529);

Injured employees, — maximum compensation for partial incapacity.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petitions of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor (accompanied by bill, House, No. 112); and of Freeman Hunt (accompanied by bill, House, No. 757); and on the report of the joint special recess committee on Workmen's Compensation (Senate, No. 334) (in part), a Bill relative to the maximum compensation for partial incapacity (Senate, No. 531);

Hospital records, — admissibility as evidence.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the report of the joint special recess committee on Workmen's Compensation (Senate, No. 334) (in part), a Bill providing for the admissibility of hospital records as evidence before the Industrial Accident Board (Senate, No. 532);

Private detectives.

By Mr. Walsh, for the committee on Legal Affairs, on the petition of John C. Gordon (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1059), a Bill to regulate the licensing, registration and conduct of private detectives (Senate, No. 522); and

Motor-vehicles, — mirrors or reflectors: spot-lights.

By Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, for the committee on Roads and Bridges, on the petition of Morrill S. Ryder (accompanied by bill, House, No. 291), a Bill to require mirrors or reflectors on certain vehicles, and to regulate the use of spot-lights thereon (Senate, No. 523);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Industrial Accident Board, — director of public safety.

By Mr. Cavanagh, for the joint committee on the Judiciary, on the report of the joint special recess committee on Workmen's Compensation (Senate, No. 334) (in part), a Bill establishing the position of director of public safety in the department of the Industrial Accident Board (Senate, No. 530); and

Westborough and Grafton, — highway.

By Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, for the committee on Roads and Bridges, on the recommitted petition of Jeremiah P. Keating (accompanied by bill, House, No. 525), a Bill to provide for the improvement of the highway between the towns of Westborough and Grafton (Senate, No. 524);

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Employers, — records of employees.

By Mr. Cavanagh, for the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 59) of John J. Kearney that employers to whom the Workmen's Compensation Act is applicable shall keep certain records of their employees;

Injured employees, — expense of burial.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 76) of John J. Kearney that the amount payable for the expense of burial, under the Workmen's Compensation Act, be established;

the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 258) of William S. Conroy relative to the payment of burial expenses under the Workmen's Compensation Act; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1211) of William J. Manning relative to the payment of burial expenses under the Workmen's Compensation Act;

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 77) of John J. Kearney relative to medical services for injured employees and to their equipment with artificial limbs and appurtenances;

Injured employees, — medical services.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 78) of John J. Kearney relative to the time of incapacitation for which injured employees shall be entitled to compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Act;

Injured employees, — time of incapacitation.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 147) of John J. Kearney that all appeals from decisions of the Industrial Accident Board shall be taken direct to the Supreme Judicial Court; the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 189) of Paul L. Keenan for legislation to give speedy effect to decisions of the Industrial Accident Board and to provide for direct appeals therefrom to the Supreme Judicial Court, and that the license of an insurer who fails to comply with the decision of the Board shall be suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1046) of J. Waldo Bond and others relative to the consideration by the full bench of the Supreme Judicial Court of certain questions arising under the law relative to the compensation of injured employees:

Industrial Accident Board, — appeals.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 195) of Edward F. Harrington relative to the time at which compensation for injuries to workmen shall begin to run; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 260) of Roland D. Sawyer that compensation for workmen incapacitated for more than seven days shall begin with the date of the injury; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1210) of John A. Kelleher that compensation to injured employees shall begin on the first day after the accident;

Injured employees, — compensation from date of injury.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 758) of Patrick J. Melody that employees of subscribers under the Workmen's Compensation Act be permitted to bring suit in certain cases;

Workmen's Compensation Act, — bringing of suits.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 940) of Carlton W. Wonson that employers of seamen and fishermen be compelled to insure their employees against personal injury; and

Employers of seamen and fishermen, — insurance against injury.

By Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, for the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the recommitted petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 207) of

Dudley, — State highway.

Warren E. Tarbell and another that provision be made for a State highway in the town of Dudley;

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Board of trustees of the Boston Elevated Railway Company, — annual report.

Requiring the board of trustees of the Boston Elevated Railway Company to report annually to the General Court (House, No. 1652, amended, — on so much of the Governor's Address, Senate, No. 1, concerning "Transportation" as relates to street railways, in part);

State Prison, — salary of chaplain.

To establish the salary of the chaplain of the State Prison (House, No. 1689, — on the petition of Warren C. Daggett, accompanied by bill, House, No. 129);

State House, — salary of matron.

To establish the salary of the matron in the Sergeant-at-Arms' department at the State House (House, No. 1698, — new draft of House, No. 244, introduced on leave);

Legislative document room, — salary of clerk.

To establish the salary of the clerk in charge of the legislative document room (House, No. 1699, — on the petition of Claude L. Allen and another, accompanied by bill, House, No. 806); and

Massachusetts Highway Commission, — expenses.

To provide for the payment of the travelling and other expenses of the Massachusetts Highway Commission (House, No. 1700, — on the recommendations of said commission, House, No. 1162, in part, see House, No. 1164);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Minors, — use of firearms and ammunition.

A Bill to prohibit the sale of ammunition to certain minors (House, No. 1679, — substituted for the House Report of the committee on Legal Affairs, "leave to withdraw," on the petition of Harry R. Sackett, accompanied by bill, House, No. 631), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Conspiracy to commit felony, — punishment.

A Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1545) of Frederick W. Fosdick relative to the punishment for conspiracy to commit a felony (Messrs. Naphen and Gould, of the House, dissenting), — came up, recommitted to the said committee, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule.

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the said rule; and the report was sent down endorsed accordingly.

Reports

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw:

Public and private employment agencies and labor bureaus.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 20) of Harry J. Dooley for restriction or abolition of the business of conducting private employment agencies and labor bureaus (Messrs. Stone and O'Connor, of the House, dissenting);

Id.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 121) of B. L. Young for the regulation and control of employment agencies and the regulation of employment (Messrs. Stone and O'Connor, of the House, dissenting); and

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 623) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor that free and private employment offices be put under the control of the State Board of Labor and Industries (Messrs. Stone and O'Connor, of the House, dissenting); and

Public and private employment agencies and labor bureaus.

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1060) of William A. Kneeland relative to bonds given to dissolve attachments;

Dissolution of attachments, — bonds.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

A message from His Excellency the Governor relative to the maintenance of the bridge between Commercial Point in the city of Boston and Squantum, in the city of Quincy, and to the cession of certain land to the United States (House, No. 1704), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Waterways and Terminals.

Message from the Governor, — maintenance of the bridge between Commercial point in Boston and Squantum in Quincy.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

An engrossed Bill to authorize the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board to provide an additional supply of water for the town of Lexington (which originated in the Senate) (see Senate, No. 368, amended), — was put upon its final passage; and, it being a bill that provided for the borrowing of money in accordance with the provisions of Section 3 of Article LXII of the amendments of the Constitution, the question on passing it to be enacted was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as follows, to wit: —

Lexington, — additional water supply.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 35.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.

Messrs. Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Perrin, Harold L. — 4.

So the bill was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Milton and
Hyde Park,—
additional
water supply.

An engrossed Bill to authorize the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board to provide an additional water supply for the town of Milton and the Hyde Park district of the city of Boston (which originated in the Senate) (see Senate, No. 369, amended), — was put upon its final passage; and, it being a bill that provided for the borrowing of money in accordance with the provisions of Section 3 of Article LXII of the amendments of the Constitution, the question on passing it to be enacted was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 35.

NAYS.—0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.

Messrs. Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Perrin, Harold L. — 4.

So the bill was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

East Boston,
— additional
water-main.

An engrossed Bill to enable the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board to provide an additional water-main for the supply of the East Boston district of the city of Boston (which originated in the Senate) (see Senate, No. 370, amended), — was put upon its final passage; and, it being a bill that provided for the borrowing of money in accordance with the provisions of Section 3 of Article LXII of the amendments of the Constitution, the question on passing it to be enacted was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.

Messrs. Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nichols, Malcolm E.

Messrs. Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 34.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.

Messrs. Nason, Arthur L.
Perrin, Harold L. — 5.

So the bill was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

To validate certain votes taken by towns in the current year;

Relative to certain fees of town clerks;

Amending the charter of the city of Lynn;

To validate certain appropriations by cities and towns for soldiers' and sailors' memorials; and

To provide for further development of the port of Boston by the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands.

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

The following engrossed resolves (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed and, with the above-named bills, were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

In favor of the construction of a State armory in the city of Quincy; and

In favor of the widow of Maurice W. Finn of Revere.

Resolves
passed, etc.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 206) of James J. Moynihan relative to the election of the city council of Boston; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 956) of James H. Brennan relative to the terms of office of councilmen in the city of Boston; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1086) of Edward J. Cox and others that the city of Boston be divided into districts for the election of members of the city council of said city, — was considered, the question being on accepting it.

Boston, —
city council.

Mr. Mahoney moved that the report be amended by substituting a "Bill relative to the election of members of the city council in the city of Boston" (printed as House, No. 1551); and this amendment was rejected, by a vote of 13 to 20.

The report was then accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Boston Elevated Railway Company, — five-cent fares.

The House Report of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 54) of John J. Walsh that the maximum rate of fare charged by the Boston Elevated Railway Company be five cents and that any deficiency in revenue be paid by the Commonwealth, — was considered, the main question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

By a vote of 10 to 16, the Senate rejected the pending amendment, previously moved by Mr. Walsh, — that a "Bill establishing a five-cent fare on the lines of the Boston Elevated Railway Company and subsidizing the company from the public treasury for any resulting deficiency" (Senate, No. 54), be substituted.

The report was then accepted, in concurrence.

Taunton, Norton and Attleboro Street Railway.

The Senate Bill to provide for further maintenance for the Taunton, Norton and Attleboro Street Railway (Senate, No. 502), — was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The Senate adopted the pending amendment, previously moved by Mr. Reed, — that a "Bill to provide for further maintenance for the Norton, Taunton and Attleboro Street Railway" (Senate, No. 521), be substituted; and, accordingly, the bill was substituted.

Under the rule, the bill was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Members and officers of General Court, — activity regarding questions coming before voters.

The Senate Bill to forbid the paid employment of certain State officials or employees as to questions submitted to the voters (Senate, No. 520), — was considered; and the question on passing the bill to be engrossed was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.

Messrs. Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 16.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Curtin, John A.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Reed, Silas D.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J. — 16.

PAIRED.

YEA.

Mr. Francis Prescott (present),

NAY.

Mr. George H. Jackson. — 2.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
McIntosh, David S.
Nason, Arthur L.

Messrs. Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F. — 5.

So the bill was rejected.

The House Bill to regulate the travelling expenses of clerks and assistant clerks of courts (House, No. 1115), — was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence. Clerks of courts, — travelling expenses.

On motion of Mr. McLane, the bill was amended by substituting a new draft entitled "An Act to regulate the travelling expenses of clerks and assistants clerks of courts in the county of Bristol" (Senate, No. 534); and the bill, as thus amended, was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Subsequently, Mr. McLane, for the said committee, reported that the bill ought to pass; and it was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The House Bill to provide for the auditing of accounts of cities and towns by the Director of the Bureau of Statistics (House, No. 1462), — was considered; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Cavanagh, by a vote of 18 to 0. Municipal accounts, — auditing.

The Senate Bill to extend the period during which suits against soldiers, sailors or marines shall be continued (Senate, No. 503), — was read a second time and was amended, on motion of Mr. Loring, by adding the following new section: "SECTION 8. This act shall not apply to sailors, soldiers and marines who, following their discharge from said service, have reënlisted therein." Persons in military or naval service, — extension of time of certain privileges and immunities.

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to require the display of the national flag in courts of justice (House, No. 1682), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. Bill.

The Senate Bill to authorize the Secretary of the Commonwealth to appoint an additional clerk to index and classify historical manuscripts (Senate, No. 477), — was read a third time. Secretary of the Commonwealth, — clerk to index and classify historical manuscripts.

On motion of Mr. Kearney, the bill was amended by adding at the end of section 1 the words: — "In appointing the said clerk the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall give preference to persons who have served in the military or naval forces of the United States in the time of war and have been honorably discharged from such service or released from active duty therein."

Mr. Hastings moved that the Senate reconsider the vote by which it had adopted the foregoing amendment.

Pending this motion and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Hastings.

Senate bill.

The Senate Bill to provide for the appointment of an additional second assistant district attorney for the Northern District and of an assistant district attorney for the Western District (Senate, No. 497) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

**State Guard,
— uniforms.**

The Senate Bill relative to the disposition of the uniforms used by the State Guard (Senate, No. 514), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out, in line 3, the words "any part thereof", and inserting in place thereof the words "or upon the disbandment of the unit in which they are enrolled".

This amendment was adopted,

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

House bills.

The House bills

Relative to clerical assistance for county treasurers (House, No. 172); and

To enable the Metropolitan Park Commission to make certain improvements not provided for in the appropriations for ordinary maintenance expenses (House, No. 1649);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

**Metropolitan
district, —
transportation
of school
pupils.**

The House Bill relative to the transportation of school pupils in the metropolitan district (House, No. 1386, amended) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 1 (as printed), by striking out, in lines 3, 4 and 5, the words "of the metropolitan district, including the city of Cambridge", and inserting in place thereof the words "within the district served by said company"; and by striking out, in the last line, the words "between said points", and inserting in place thereof the words "for the same distance".

These amendments were adopted.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Perrin.

The House reports

House reports.

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw (at the request of the petitioner), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 729) of Robert S. Hartstone that the city of Boston be

authorized to compensate William T. Hill of Malden for injuries received on a public way;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 184) of Herbert Parker and another that the Attorney-General may be enabled to take measures in the interest of the public safety;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 617) of the Massachusetts Bar Association for a revision of the law of arrest on mesne process and the poor debtor law and for supplementary proceedings in civil actions; and

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1282) of Albert P. Wadleigh relative to the prevention of the abuse or misuse of the so-called "tag day" method of soliciting from the public;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Petition.

Mr. Gifford presented a petition of Charles L. Gifford that the town of Mashpee be authorized to expend for school purposes certain funds deposited in trust for the benefit of certain members of the Mashpee tribe of Indians.

Mashpee, —
trust funds for
benefit of
Mashpee tribe
of Indians.

Mr. McLane moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended with reference thereto.

Without action thereon, —

On motion of Mr. Weston, at fourteen minutes before six o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

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WEDNESDAY, May 14, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of a Committee.

By Mr. McLane, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House bills

State House,
— salary of
matron.
Legislative
document
room, — salary
of clerk.

To establish the salary of the matron in the Sergeant-at-Arms' department at the State House (House, No. 1698); and

To establish the salary of the clerk in charge of the Legislative document room (House, No. 1699), — severally, ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Reconsideration.

Members and
officers of
General Court,
— activity
regarding
questions
coming before
voters.

On motion of Mr. Cavanagh, by a vote of 15 to 7, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had rejected the Senate Bill to forbid the paid employment of certain State officials or employees as to questions submitted to the voters (Senate, No. 520).

Pending the recurring question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Kearney moved that it be amended by adding the following new section: "SECTION 3. Valuable consideration as used in this act shall not be construed to mean reimbursement for expenses actually incurred."; and this amendment was adopted.

The recurring question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, was then determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Kearney, John J.

Messrs. Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Prescott, Francis
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 20.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Knox, Joseph O.
Perrin, Harold L.
Reed, Silas D.
Walsh, John J. — 12.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

NAYS.

Mr. John Halliwell (present),
Mr. Edward N. Dahlborg (present),

Mr. John A. Curtin.
Mr. David S. McIntosh. — 4.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Curran, George E.
Jackson, George H.

Mr. Malcolm E. Nichols. — 3.

So the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed.
Sent down for concurrence.

Petition.

Mr. Cavanagh presented a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 536) of William E. Weeks, mayor, and another that the city of Everett be authorized to incur indebtedness for school purposes; and the petition was referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. Beck, to the committee on Municipal Finance.

Everett, —
indebtedness
for school
purposes.

Sent down for concurrence.

Order Adopted.

Mr. Beck offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —

Ordered, That the time within which the following joint committees are required, under the provisions of the 10th joint rule, to make final report upon all matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended to Wednesday, May 21, to wit: —

Joint com-
mittees, —
reports.

Administration and Commissions, Education, Judiciary, Legal Affairs, Roads and Bridges, Street Railways, Taxation and Ways and Means.

Subsequently, the same Senator, for the joint committee on Rules, reported that the order ought to be adopted; and it was considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, further moved by Mr. Beck, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill relative to the laying out and construction by the county of Essex of a highway between the town of Rockport and the city of Gloucester (House, No. 1638, — on the petition of Charles D. Brown, accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 305), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Rockport and
Gloucester, —
county
highway.

Bills

Relative to the maintenance of an athletic field in the city of Lawrence (House, No. 1645, on the petition of the mayor and other city officials of said city);

Lawrence, —
athletic field.

Cambridge, —
pensioning of
M. Alice Dow.

To authorize the city of Cambridge to retire and pension M. Alice Dow (House, No. 1646, on the petition of Julius Meyers); and

Public ad-
ministrators.

Relative to the duties of public administrators and of executors and administrators with the will annexed (House, No. 1691, — on the annual report of the Attorney-General, Pub. Doc. No. 12, in part);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Reports

Sheep indus-
try, agriculture
and related
matters.

Of the committee on Agriculture, no further legislation necessary, on the report of the special commission on the sheep industry, agriculture and related matters (Senate, No. 293);

Governor's
Address, —
military
training.

Of the committee on Military Affairs, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's Address (Senate, No. 1) as relates to "Military Training"; and

Committee on
Military
Affairs, —
State arsenal,
camp ground
and store-
houses.

Of the same committee, that, pursuant to the provisions of section 125 of chapter 604 of the Acts of 1908, the committee has visited the arsenal, State camp ground and storehouses at Framingham, and thoroughly examined the grounds and storehouses, noted the condition of the contents, including arms and munitions of war and other properties of the Commonwealth, and found them generally in a satisfactory condition. The committee would respectfully suggest that the obsolete uniforms and equipments stored there be sold and the money turned back into the treasury of the Commonwealth;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Insurance
Commissioner,
— report on
insurance rates
and payments
on lives of
soldiers and
sailors.

A special report of the Insurance Commissioner (under a joint order of the two branches) relative to the rates charged by insurance companies to men in the military and naval service, and the deductions exacted from amounts payable to beneficiaries on policies issued to soldiers and sailors (House, No. 1708), — was read and placed on file.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the House) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and laid
before the
Governor.

Relative to the department of the Treasurer and Receiver-General;

To provide for a high school building commission for the city of Lowell; and

To establish the salaries of certain employees of the county of Bristol.

Resolve
passed, etc.

An engrossed Resolve to provide for an investigation relative to the storage of illuminating gas in the city of Boston (which originated in the Senate), — was passed and, with the above-named bills, was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Engrossed Bill Rejected.

An engrossed Bill to regulate increases in the price of gas and electricity (which originated in the Senate) (see Senate, No. 425, amended), — was put upon its final passage; and it was rejected.

Gas and electricity, — increases in price.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate suspended the 12th joint rule with reference to the petition of Charles L. Gifford that the town of Mashpee be authorized to expend for school purposes certain funds deposited in trust for the benefit of certain members of the Mashpee tribe of Indians (being the unfinished business of the preceding session).

Mashpee, — trust funds for benefit of Mashpee tribe of Indians.

The petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 535) was referred to the committee on Towns.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bills

Relative to the salaries of the members, secretary and medical adviser of the Industrial Accident Board (Senate, No. 466); and

Industrial Accident Board, — salaries.

To regulate the travelling expenses of clerks and assistant clerks of courts in the county of Bristol (Senate, No. 534);

Bristol County, — travelling expenses of clerks of courts.

Were severally passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill to provide for further maintenance for the Norton, Taunton and Attleboro Street Railway (Senate, No. 521), — was passed to be engrossed.

Norton, Taunton and Attleboro Street Railway.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Reed.

The House Bill to provide for the auditing of accounts of cities and towns by the Director of the Bureau of Statistics (House, No. 1462), — was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Municipal accounts, — auditing.

Mr. Prescott moved that the bill be amended in section 2, by striking out, in lines 2 and 3, the words "in the first instance"; and by striking out all after the word "Commonwealth", in line 3.

Mr. Tarbell moved that the bill be amended by adding the following new section: "SECTION 7. This act shall take effect only in such cities and towns as vote to accept the same at any annual municipal election or town-meeting."

Mr. Colburn moved that the bill be amended in section 1, by inserting after the word "Boston," in lines 4 and 6, respectively, the words "and such cities and towns as are required by general or special statutes to cause to be made an annual audit of their accounts."

Mr. Smith moved that the bill be amended in section 2, by inserting after the word "Commonwealth", in line 3, the words "unless such town requests such audit, in which case the expense shall be paid by the said town, not exceeding, however, ten cents per thousand dollars of valuation."

The amendments moved by Messrs. Prescott, Tarbell and Colburn were severally rejected.

The amendment moved by Mr. Smith, was rejected, by a vote of 6 to 15.

Mr. Smith further moved that the bill be amended by striking out section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following new section: "SECTION 1. In every town holding an annual meeting of the voters the selectmen shall, at the next annual meeting, or at some special meeting to be held within one year of the passage of this act, cause to be inserted in the warrant an article to see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of law whereby the town accounts may be audited by the Bureau of Statistics of the Commonwealth."; and this amendment was rejected.

The same Senator further moved that the bill be amended in section 2, by striking out, in line 13, the word "fifty", and inserting in place thereof the word "ten"; and this amendment was rejected.

The question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, was then determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.

Messrs. Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
Reed, Silas D.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 11.

NAYS.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Hardy, Walter A.
McLane, Walter E.

Messrs. Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J. — 9.

YEAS.

Mr. John Cronin (present),
Mr. Charles L. Gifford (present),
Mr. Edward A. Counihan, Jr.,
Mr. George B. Churchill,
Mr. Clarence W. Hobbs, Jr.,
Mr. Edward N. Dahlborg (present),
Mr. George E. Curran,

PAIRED.

NAYS.

Mr. Joseph O. Knox.
Mr. James F. Cavanagh.
Mr. Arthur W. Colburn (present).
Mr. George A. Hastings (present).
Mr. Francis Prescott (present).
Mr. Arthur L. Nason.
Mr. Malcolm E. Nichols (present). — 14.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Curtin, John A.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.

Messrs. McIntosh, David S.
Perrin, Harold L. — 5.

So the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Metropolitan
district, —
transportation
of school
pupils.

The House Bill relative to the transportation of school pupils in the metropolitan district (House, No. 1386, amended), — was considered; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment previously

adopted by the Senate, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Weston.

The Senate Bill to authorize the Secretary of the Commonwealth to appoint an additional clerk to index and classify historical manuscripts (Senate, No. 477), — was considered, as previously amended, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Secretary of the Commonwealth, — clerk to index and classify historical manuscripts.

By a vote of 13 to 5, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had adopted an amendment adding at the end of section 1 the words: — "In appointing the said clerk the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall give preference to persons who have served in the military or naval forces of the United States in the time of war and have been honorably discharged from such service or released from active duty therein." On the recurring question, the amendment was rejected.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Winchester.

The bills

To regulate the licensing, registration and conduct of private detectives (Senate, No. 522);

To require mirrors or reflectors on certain vehicles, and to regulate the use of spot-lights thereon (Senate, No. 523);

Relative to the payment by insurance companies of death or compensation benefits under the Workmen's Compensation Act (Senate, No. 525);

To provide for the payment of compensation and to establish a fund for the payment of part of the compensation due employees receiving second injuries which cause total incapacity for work (Senate, No. 526);

Relative to dependent children (Senate, No. 527);

Relative to the minimum and maximum compensation for total incapacity (Senate, No. 528);

Relative to partial incapacity for work (Senate, No. 529);

Relative to the maximum compensation for partial incapacity (Senate, No. 531);

Providing for the admissibility of hospital records as evidence before the industrial accident board (Senate, No. 532);

To establish the salary of the trial justice of the town of Saugus (Senate, No. 533);

To authorize the city of Lynn to accept in trust a conveyance of the Grand Army Building in said city (printed as House, No. 1680); and

To prohibit the sale of ammunition to certain minors (House, No. 1679);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The House Bill to provide for the mental examination of school children with retarded mental development (House, No. 1577),

School children with retarded development,

— mental
examination.

— was considered; and, pending the question on rejecting the bill, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Gifford.

Wellesley, —
high-level
sewer.

The Senate Bill to provide for the completion of the Wellesley extension of the high-level sewer of the south metropolitan sewerage district (Senate, No. 486) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time. On motion of Mr. Perrin, the bill was laid on the table.

Courts of
justice, —
display of flag.

The House Bill to require the display of the National flag in courts of justice (House, No. 1682), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by inserting after the word "flag", in line 1, the words "of suitable dimensions."

This amendment was adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Senate
reports.

The Senate reports

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 59) of John J. Kearney that employers to whom the Workmen's Compensation Act is applicable shall keep certain records of their employees;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 76) of John J. Kearney that the amount payable for the expense of burial, under the Workmen's Compensation Act, be established; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 258) of William S. Conroy relative to the payment of burial expenses under the Workmen's Compensation Act; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1211) of William J. Manning relative to the payment of burial expenses under the Workmen's Compensation Act;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 77) of John J. Kearney relative to medical services for injured employees and to their equipment with artificial limbs and appurtenances;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 78) of John J. Kearney relative to the time of incapacitation for which injured employees shall be entitled to compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Act;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 147) of John J. Kearney that all appeals from decisions of the Industrial Accident Board shall be taken direct to the Supreme Judicial Court; the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 189) of Paul L. Keenan for legislation to give speedy effect to decisions of the Industrial Accident Board and to provide for direct appeals therefrom to the Supreme Judicial Court, and that the license of

an insurer who fails to comply with the decision of the board shall be suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1046) of J. Waldo Bond and others relative to the consideration by the full bench of the Supreme Judicial Court of certain questions arising under the law relative to the compensation of injured employees;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 195) of Edward F. Harrington relative to the time at which compensation for injuries to workmen shall begin to run; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 260) of Roland D. Sawyer that compensation for workmen incapacitated for more than seven days shall begin with the date of the injury; and the petition accompanied by bill, House, No. 1210) of John A. Kelleher that compensation to injured employees shall begin on the first day after the accident;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 758) of Patrick J. Melody that employees of subscribers under the Workmen's Compensation Act be permitted to bring suit in certain cases; and

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 940) of Carlton W. Wonson that employers of seamen and fishermen be compelled to insure their employees against personal injury;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the recommitted petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 207) of Warren E. Tarbell and another that provision be made for a State highway in the town of Dudley, — was considered, the question being on accepting it. Dudley, —
State
highway.

On motion of Mr. Tarbell, the report was amended by striking out the words "petitioners have leave to withdraw", and inserting in place thereof the words "petition be referred to the next General Court".

The report, as amended, was then accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House reports

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 20) of Harry J. Dooley for restriction or abolition of the business of conducting private employment agencies and labor bureaus; House
reports.

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 121) of B. L. Young for the regulation and control of employment agencies and the regulation of employment;

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 623) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor that free and private employment offices be put under the control of the State Board of Labor and Industries; and

House
report.

Of the committee on Legal Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1060) of William A. Kneeland relative to bonds given to dissolve attachments;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Tarbell, at twenty-two minutes past five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, May 15, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill to provide for the testing of poultry for the elimination of disease (House, No. 1673, amended), ought to pass;

Poultry, —
elimination
of disease.

By Mr. McLane, for the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of H. Clinton Taylor, executor of the estate of Thomas J. Taylor (Senate, No. 343), ought to pass;

Estate of
Thomas J.
Taylor.

By Mr. Smith, for the same committee, that the House Bill requiring the Board of Trustees of the Boston Elevated Railway Company to report annually to the General Court (House, No. 1652, amended); and

Boston Ele-
vated Railway
Company, —
annual report
of trustees.

The House Resolve to authorize the pensioning of Patrick E. Barry, a former police officer of the Metropolitan Park Commission (House, No. 1650), — severally, ought to pass; and

Patrick E.
Barry.

By Mr. Curran, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill relative to payment for the clerical work of the trial justice in the city of Methuen (printed as House, No. 510, changed); and

Methuen, —
clerical work
of trial justice.

The House bills

Relative to the salaries of the court officers of the municipal court of the Roxbury district of the city of Boston (House, No. 285, changed); and

Boston, —
court officers
of Roxbury
municipal
court.

To establish the salary of the chaplain of the State Prison (House, No. 1689), — severally, ought to pass;

State Prison,
— salary of
chaplain.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. McLane, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill to establish the salary of the fire prevention commissioner for the metropolitan district (printed as House, No. 128, changed), ought NOT to pass;

Fire preven-
tion commis-
sioner, —
salary.

Read, and the bill placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on rejecting it.

By Mr. Curran, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill relative to the salary of the deputy fire prevention commissioner for the metropolitan district (printed as House, No. 214, changed), ought to pass in a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 542); and

Deputy fire
prevention
commissioner,
— salary.

By Mr. Jackson, for the committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of Charles S. Sanborn and others, a Bill to authorize the Security Trust Company of Lynn to hold additional

Security Trust
Company
of Lynn.

capital stock of the Security Building Corporation (printed as House, No. 1631);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Holyoke, —
State highway.

By Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, on the petition of Oscar C. Ferry (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 166), a Bill authorizing the construction of a State highway within the limits of the city of Holyoke (Senate, No. 540); and

Norton, —
State highway.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of Silas D. Reed (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 208), a Resolve to provide for the construction of a State highway in the town of Norton (Senate, No. 541);

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Reconsideration.

Municipal
accounts, —
auditing.

On motion of Mr. Smith, by a vote of 17 to 6, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the House Bill to provide for the auditing of accounts of cities and towns by the Director of the Bureau of Statistics (House, No. 1462). Pending the recurring question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Wednesday, on motion of the same Senator.

Petitions.

Petitions were presented and referred as follows:

Boston, —
widow of
Atlas Skinner.

By Mr. Curran, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 537) of James A. Watson that the city of Boston be authorized to pay a sum of money to the widow of Atlas Skinner;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. Beck, to the committee on Cities.

Huntington, —
indebtedness.

By Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 538) of the selectmen of the town of Huntington that said town be authorized to incur certain indebtedness;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. Beck, to the committee on Municipal Finance.

Shrewsbury, —
purchase of
land for school
building.

By Mr. Prescott, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 539) of Raymond B. Fletcher that the town of Shrewsbury be authorized to purchase a certain tract of land for the purpose of erecting thereon a public school building;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. Beck, to the committee on Towns.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Report.

Soldiers' Home
in Chelsea, —
fire hazard.

A Report of the joint special committee appointed to investigate fire hazard existing at the Soldiers' Home in Chelsea, — was laid before the Senate; and it was referred to the joint committee on Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Beck, the report was ordered to be printed as a Senate document (Senate, No. 543).

Sent down for concurrence in the reference.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

To provide a bounty on seals (House, No. 1694, — on the recommendations of the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game, House, No. 873, in part, see House, No. 891);

To establish the salary of the chief engineer at the State House (House, No. 1701, — new draft of House, No. 147, introduced on leave);

To regulate the salaries of turnkeys and watchmen in the State Prison and the Massachusetts Reformatory (House, No. 1715, — on the petition of Eugene Stevens, accompanied by bill, House, No. 289);

To regulate the use of aircraft (House, No. 1716, — on the petition of George L. Ellsworth, accompanied by bill, House, No. 993);

Relative to the compensation of medical examiners in the county of Suffolk (House, No. 1717, — on the petition of George Burgess Magrath and another, accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 158);

To establish the salaries of the assistant engineers, firemen and helpers employed in the State House (House, No. 1718, — new draft of House, No. 243, introduced on leave);

To establish the compensation of the watchmen and assistant watchmen at the State House (House, No. 1719, — on the petition of Thomas F. Foster and others, accompanied by bill, House, No. 169);

To establish the compensation of the elevator operators in the State House (House, No. 1721, — on the petition of William P. French, accompanied by bill, House, No. 674); and

To establish the salaries of the porters at the State House (House, No. 1722, — on the petition of John E. Ferguson, accompanied by bill, House, No. 286);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill relative to the Springfield Branch of the Women's Board of Missions (printed as Senate, No. 432, on the petition of Elisabeth S. Burnham and others), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

The Senate Bill to incorporate the East Boston Waterfront Freight Railway Company (Senate, No. 494, amended), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment in section 4, inserting after the word "power", in line 3, the words " , except steam engines or locomotives,".

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Perrin, and the amendment was considered forthwith and was adopted, in concurrence.

Ella M. Foye,
— tax reim-
bursement.

A Report of the joint committee on Ways and Means, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 19) of Ella M. Foye that she be reimbursed for a certain tax wrongfully paid, and recommending that the same be referred to the House committee on Ways and Means, — was read and accepted, in concurrence, in so much as relates to the discharge of the joint committee on Ways and Means.

Emergency Preambles Adopted.

Soldiers' relief
and military
aid.

An engrossed Bill relative to the granting of soldiers' relief and military aid (see Senate, No. 436, amended), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Chamberlain, George D.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 28.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Churchill, George B.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Curtin, John A.
Hardy, Walter A.
Knox, Joseph O.

Messrs. Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 11.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Soldiers and
sailors, —
testimonial.

An engrossed Bill to provide for a testimonial to residents of Massachusetts who served in the army or navy during the present war (see House, No. 1433), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Chamberlain, George D.

Messrs. Colburn, Arthur W.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.

Messrs. Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.

Messrs. Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 28.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Churchill, George B.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Curtin, John A.
Hardy, Walter A.
Knox, Joseph O.

Messrs. Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 11.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the House) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

To revive the corporation known as the Middlesex County Creamery Company, Incorporated;
Relative to the State Guard;

*Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.*

To provide for a testimonial to residents of Massachusetts who served in the army or navy during the present war; and
Relative to the granting of soldiers' relief and military aid.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts (which originated in the Senate), — was passed and, with the above-named bills, was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

*Resolve
passed, etc.*

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Bill to authorize the Pilgrim Tercentenary Commission to acquire certain land in the town of Plymouth, and to provide for celebrating the anniversary of the first settlement of the Pilgrims (House, No. 1635), — was ordered to a third reading.

*Pilgrim ter-
centenary
celebration, —
improvements
in Plymouth.*

The Bill relative to the term of office of the mayor of the city of Boston (House, No. 1643, amended), — was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 16 to 9.

*Boston, —
term of office
of mayor.*

The House Bill relative to the transportation of school pupils in the metropolitan district (House, No. 1386, amended), — was considered, the question being on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment previously adopted by the Senate.

*Metropolitan
district, —
transportation
of school
pupils.*

The bill was rejected, by a vote of 6 to 13.

Secretary of the Commonwealth, — clerk to index and classify historical manuscripts.

The Senate Bill to authorize the Secretary of the Commonwealth to appoint an additional clerk to index and classify historical manuscripts (Senate, No. 477), — was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Widow of Charles F. Gray.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to the House petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1672) of John C. Gilbert and others for the payment of a sum of money to the widow of Charles F. Gray, lately employed in the department of the Auditor of the Commonwealth; and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on Ways and Means.

The bills

Bills.

Relative to the maintenance of an athletic field in the city of Lawrence (House, No. 1645);

To authorize the city of Cambridge to retire and pension M. Alice Dow (House, No. 1646);

Relative to the duties of public administrators and of executors and administrators with the will annexed (House, No. 1691);

To establish the salary of the matron in the Sergeant-at-Arms' department at the State House (House, No. 1698); and

To establish the salary of the clerk in charge of the legislative document room (House, No. 1699);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Persons in military or naval service, — extension of time of certain privileges and immunities.

The Senate Bill further safeguarding the rights of persons now or lately in the war service of the United States (Senate, No. 503) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time, as previously amended. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended as follows:

By striking out section 1;

In section 2 (as printed), by inserting after the word "been", in line 4, the words "or shall be"; and by inserting after the word "service", in line 7, the words "or release from active duty therein";

In section 3 (as printed), by inserting after the word "been", in line 5, the words "or shall be"; and by inserting after the word "months", in line 9, the words "after his discharge from such service or release from active duty therein,";

In section 4 (as printed), by inserting after the word "service", in line 6, the words "or release from active duty therein"; and by inserting after the word "discharge", in line 14, the words "or release";

In section 5 (as printed), by inserting after the word "discharge", in line 9, the words "or release";

In section 6 (as printed), by inserting after the word "discharge", in line 15, the words "or release"; by inserting after the word "court", in line 16, the words "having jurisdiction of a suit on such contract"; and by inserting after the word "bailor", in line 18, the words "or his assignee"; and

By adding at the end thereof two new sections, as follows:—

"SECTION 8. The rights and remedies conferred by this act shall not be in substitution for, but shall be in addition to, such as are already available under general laws.

"SECTION 9. This act shall take effect upon its passage."

These amendments were adopted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended, was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The Senate Bill relative to dependent children (Senate, No. 527), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft entitled: "An Act relative to the payment to certain dependent children of benefits under the Workmen's Compensation Act" (Senate, No. 544).

Dependent
children, —
payment of
benefits.

This amendment was adopted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 544), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The Senate Bill relative to partial incapacity for work (Senate, No. 529), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft entitled: "An Act relative to weekly payments to injured employees in cases of partial incapacity" (Senate, No. 545).

Partial
incapacity.

This amendment was adopted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 545), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The Senate Bill relative to the maximum compensation for partial incapacity (Senate, No. 531), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be rejected, "as the provisions thereof have been incorporated in a new draft (see Senate, No. 545) reported as a substitute for Senate Bill No. 529."

Partial
incapacity, —
maximum
compensation.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was laid on the table, on motion of the same Senator.

The Senate bills

Increasing the minimum and maximum weekly compensation for total incapacity payable to injured employees (Senate, No. 528) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Senate bills.

Providing for the admissibility of copies of certain hospital records as evidence before the Industrial Accident Board (Senate, No. 532) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

To establish the salary of the trial justice of the town of Saugus (Senate, No. 533);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

House bill.

The House Bill to prohibit the sale of ammunition to certain minors (House, No. 1679), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Joint special commission on sheep industry, — report.

The House Report of the committee on Agriculture, no further legislation necessary, on the report of the special commission on the sheep industry, agriculture and related matters (Senate, No. 293), — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Hastings.

House reports.**The House reports**

Of the committee on Military Affairs, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's Address (Senate, No. 1) as relates to "Military Training;" and

Of the committee on Military Affairs, that, pursuant to the provisions of section 125 of chapter 604 of the acts of 1908, the committee has visited the arsenal, State camp ground and storehouses at Framingham, and thoroughly examined the grounds and storehouses, noted the condition of the contents, including arms and munitions of war and other properties of the Commonwealth, and found them generally in a satisfactory condition. The committee would respectfully suggest that the obsolete uniforms and equipments stored there be sold and the money turned back into the treasury of the Commonwealth;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Dahlborg, at thirteen minutes past three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

FRIDAY, May 16, 1919.

Met according to adjournment, Mr. Nichols in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Hobbs, for the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 142) of Robert J. Bottomly relative to the time for filing nomination papers for certain candidates for public office; Nomination papers.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Motions to Reconsider.

Mr. Counihan moved that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had rejected the House Bill relative to the transportation of school pupils in the metropolitan district (House, No. 1386, amended); and the further consideration of this motion was postponed until the following Wednesday, on motion of Mr. Reed. Metropolitan district, transportation of school pupils.

Mr. Counihan asked unanimous consent that he might move that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at a previous session, it had rejected the engrossed Bill to regulate increases in the price of gas and electricity (which originated in the Senate) (see Senate, No. 425, amended); but objection thereto was made. Gas and electricity, — increases in price.

Reconsideration.

On motion of Mr. McLane, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had passed to be engrossed the Senate Bill to establish the salary of the trial justice of the town of Saugus (Senate, No. 533). Saugus, — salary of trial justice.

Pending the recurring question on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was amended, on further motion of the same Senator, by substituting the House Bill to increase the salary of the trial justice of the town of Saugus (House, No. 551, amended) (of which it was a new draft).

Pending the question on passing the bill, as thus amended, to be engrossed, in concurrence, it was recommitted to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, on further motion of Mr. McLane.

Petition.

Mr. McIntosh presented a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 546) of David S. McIntosh that Edward Flaherty be reinstated, without civil service examination, in the metro- Edward Flaherty, — reinstatement in metropolitan

park police
force.

politan park police force; and the petition was referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. Beck, to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Widow of
Allen A.
David.

A Resolve in favor of the widow of Allen A. David (House, No. 1706, — new draft of Senate Resolve No. 495), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Independent
Order of the
J. R. Giddings
and Joliffe
Union.

A Bill to incorporate The Independent Order of the J. R. Giddings and Joliffe Union (printed as Senate, No. 448, on the petition of William C. Matthews), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Lord's Day, —
amateur base-
ball and other
sports.

A Report of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 65) of John Mitchell that the playing of amateur baseball and other games on the Lord's Day be permitted; and on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1220) of Daniel J. Gillen that the playing of amateur baseball and football on the Lord's Day be authorized (Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden and Mr. Walsh, of the Senate, and Messrs. Fairbanks of Springfield, Wall of Worcester, O'Connor of Chicopee, Kelleher of Cambridge and Shaw of Revere, of the House, dissenting), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Merrimac
State tax, —
reimburse-
ment.

A Report of the joint committee on Ways and Means, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 720) of Willis N. Scott and another that the town of Merrimac be reimbursed for certain sums improperly assessed against it, and recommending that the same be referred to the House committee on Ways and Means, — was read and accepted, in concurrence, in so much as relates to the discharge of the joint committee on Ways and Means.

Feeble-minded
prisoners, —
commitment.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate Bill providing for the commitment by the Superior Court of feeble-minded persons held for trial (printed as House, No. 778, amended), had been referred, by the House, to the next General Court.

Special reports were referred, in concurrence, as follows:

Fish industry,
— report of
joint special
recess
committee.

Report of the joint special recess committee appointed to continue the investigation of the fish industry in this Commonwealth (House, No. 1725):

So much as relates to the appointment of a permanent commission with authority to investigate conditions affecting prices of necessities of life, to the committee on Administration and Commissions; and

The residue, to the committee on Legal Affairs.

Commission
on consolida-
tion of general

Supplementary special report of the commission appointed to consolidate and arrange the General Laws of the Common-

wealth, suggesting substantive changes in said laws (House, No. 1720); laws, — special report.

To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Bill further safeguarding the rights of persons now or lately in the war service of the United States (Senate, No. 503), — was considered, as previously amended (see Senate, No. 548); and it was passed to be engrossed. Persons in military or naval service, — extension of time of certain privileges and immunities.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bills

Relative to the payment to certain dependent children of benefits under the Workmen's Compensation Act (Senate, No. 544); Dependent children, — payment of benefits. and

Relative to weekly payments to injured employees in cases of partial incapacity (Senate, No. 545); Partial incapacity.

Were severally passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The bills

Relative to the salary of the deputy fire prevention commissioner for the Metropolitan District (Senate, No. 542); Bills.

Relative to payment for the clerical work of the trial justice in the city of Methuen (printed as House, No. 510, changed);

To authorize the Security Trust Company of Lynn to hold additional capital stock of the Security Building Corporation (printed as House, No. 1631);

Relative to the Springfield Branch of the Woman's Board of Missions (printed as Senate, No. 432);

Relative to the salaries of the court officers of the Municipal Court of the Roxbury District of the city of Boston (House, No. 285, changed);

Requiring the Board of Trustees of the Boston Elevated Railway Company to report annually to the General Court (House, No. 1652, amended);

To provide for the testing of poultry for the elimination of disease (House, No. 1673, amended); and

To establish the salary of the chaplain of the State Prison (House, No. 1689); and

The resolves

In favor of H. Clinton Taylor, executor of the estate of Thomas J. Taylor (Senate, No. 343); and Resolves.

To authorize the pensioning of Patrick E. Barry, a former police officer of the Metropolitan Park Commission (House, No. 1650);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill to establish the salary of the fire prevention commissioner for the metropolitan district (printed as House, No. 128, changed), — was considered; and, pending the question Fire prevention commissioner, — salary.

on rejecting the bill, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Perrin.

Landing of
the Pilgrims,
— three hun-
dredth anni-
versary.

The House Bill making further provision for the appropriate celebration of the three hundredth anniversary of the landing of the Pilgrims (House, No. 1635) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time. On motion of Mr. Walsh, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday.

Commercial
motor-
vehicles, —
dimensions.

The House Bill to regulate the dimensions of commercial vehicles and motor trucks and their trailers (House, No. 1667, amended) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 547).

This amendment was adopted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 547), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The House bills

House bills.

Relative to the maintenance of an athletic field in the city of Lawrence (House, No. 1645);

To authorize the city of Cambridge to retire and pension M. Alice Dow (House, No. 1646);

To establish the salary of the matron in the Sergeant-at-Arms' department at the State House (House, No. 1698); and

To establish the salary of the clerk in charge of the legislative document room (House, No. 1699);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Foley, at seventeen minutes before twelve o'clock A.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, May 19, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Resolve in favor of the widow of Allen A. David (House, No. 1706), ought to pass; Widow of Allen A. David.

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Cavanagh, for the joint committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of J. William Glass (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1216), a Bill to regulate transactions with reference to the purchase and sale of securities and commodities (Senate, No. 549); Securities and commodities, — purchase and sale.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Relative to the salary of the parole clerk at the Massachusetts Reformatory (House, No. 287, amended, — on the petition of Richard B. Sweeney) (Mr. Whitman, of the House, dissenting); Massachusetts Reformatory, — salary of parole clerk.

Relative to appeals from the probate courts (House, No. 1658, — on the petition of Frank W. Grinnell, accompanied by bill, House, No. 619); Probate courts, — appeals.

Providing for the appointment of a Soldiers' Memorial Commission and for the construction of a building in memory of Massachusetts soldiers and sailors (House, No. 1692, — on the petition of Henry S. Clark and others, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1372); and Soldiers' Memorial Commission, — memorial building.

To fix the minimum wage of scrubwomen (House, No. 1731, — substituted for the House Report of the committee on Labor, "leave to withdraw," on the petition of Thomas A. Niland, accompanied by bill, House, No. 19); Scrubwomen, — minimum wage.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills

Relative to removals, suspensions and transfers in the police department of the city of Boston (House, No. 683, on the petition of the police commissioner for said city); Boston police department, — removals, suspensions and transfers.

Relative to naming co-respondents in libels for divorce for adultery (House, No. 1546, on the petition of Charles M. Bruce); Libels for divorce, — naming co-respondents.

Relative to the Boston Chamber of Commerce (House, No. 1690, — on the petition of Henry I. Harriman, accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 226); Boston Chamber of Commerce.

Unpaid taxes,
— interest.

Relative to interest on unpaid taxes (House, No. 1697, — on the petition of Andrew J. Peters, accompanied by bill, House, No. 543); and

Theatrical,
exhibitions, —
licenses.

Relative to licenses for theatrical exhibitions (House, No. 1726, — new draft of a bill, House, No. 1588, amended, which was substituted for the Senate Report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, “leave to withdraw,” on the petition of Philip J. Feinberg, accompanied by bill, House, No. 634);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

State University in the
metropolitan
district.

A Report of the committee on Education, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 107) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for the establishment, within the metropolitan district of Boston, of a State University, — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Boston, —
abolition of
the finance
commission.

The House Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 792) of Frank H. Cowin that the finance commission of the city of Boston be abolished or reorganized, — which had been recommitted to the said committee, by the Senate, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule, — came up, with the endorsement that the House had non-concurred.

On motion of Mr. Mahoney, the Senate receded from the recommittal.

Pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of the same Senator.

Emergency Preamble Adopted.

Firearms,
weapons and
ammunition,
— search-
warrants.

An engrossed Bill relative to the issuance of search-warrants for the seizure of firearms, weapons and ammunition kept for unlawful purposes (see Senate, No. 500, amended), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walah, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 31.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Curtin, John A.

Messrs. Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Sullivan, Peter F.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 8.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Bills Enacted.

An engrossed Bill to provide for the completion by the Metropolitan Park Commission of boulevards and roadways already authorized by law (which originated in the House) (see House, No. 1604), — was put upon its final passage; and, it being a bill that provided for the borrowing of money in accordance with the provisions of Section 3 of Article LXII of the Amendments of the Constitution, the question on passing it to be enacted was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as follows, to wit: —

Metropolitan
boulevards
and roadways,
— completion
Forty-year loan
of \$300,000.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 32.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Curtin, John A.

Messrs. Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Sullivan, Peter F. — 7.

So the bill was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

To dispense with a count of the vote in town-meetings in certain cases;

Bill enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To enable the Metropolitan Park Commission to make certain improvements not provided for in the appropriations for ordinary maintenance expenses;

Relative to the issue of county notes in anticipation of certain assessments payable to the county; and

Relative to clerical assistance for county treasurers.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Commercial
motor-
vehicles, —
dimensions.

The Senate Bill to regulate the dimensions of commercial vehicles and motor trucks and their trailers (Senate, No. 547), — was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Beck moved that the bill be amended by inserting after section 1 the following new section: — "SECTION 2. In so far as it restricts the height of motor-vehicles and their loads, this act shall not apply to delivery vehicles owned by manufacturers or dealers in boxes."

Mr. Knox moved that this amendment be amended by adding at the end thereof the words "or barrels".

Pending these amendments and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden.

Saugus, —
salary of
trial justice.

The House Bill to establish the salary of the trial justice of the town of Saugus (House, No. 551, amended) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill.

The Bill to incorporate The Independent Order of the J. R. Giddings and Joliffe Union (printed as Senate, No. 448), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Private
detectives.

The Senate Bill to regulate the licensing, registration and conduct of private detectives (Senate, No. 522), — was read a third time. Mr. McIntosh, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft entitled "An Act to provide for the licensing and regulation of private detectives" (Senate, No. 550).

This amendment was adopted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 550), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Senate bills.

The Senate bills

To establish the salary of the deputy fire prevention commissioner for the metropolitan district (Senate, No. 542) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

To provide payment for clerical work in the office of the trial justice of the city of Methuen (printed as House, No. 510, changed) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

To authorize the Security Trust Company of Lynn to hold additional capital stock of the Security Building Corporation (printed as House, No. 1631); and

The Senate Resolve in favor of the executor of the estate of Thomas J. Taylor (Senate, No. 343) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); Senate resolve.

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House bills

Relative to the Springfield Branch of the Woman's Board of Missions (printed as Senate, No. 432); House bills.

To establish the salaries of the court officers of the municipal court of the Roxbury district of the city of Boston (House, No. 285, changed) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Requiring the Board of Trustees of the Boston Elevated Railway Company to report annually to the General Court (House, No. 1652, amended);

To provide for the testing of poultry for the elimination of disease (House, No. 1673, amended); and

To establish the salary of the chaplain of the State Prison (House, No. 1689); and

The House Resolve to authorize the pensioning of Patrick E. Barry, a former police officer of the Metropolitan Park Commission (House, No. 1650); House resolve.

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate Report of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 142) of Robert J. Bottomly relative to the time for filing nomination papers for certain candidates for public office, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Wednesday, on motion of Mr. Hobbs. Nomination papers.

The House Report of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 65) of John Mitchell that the playing of amateur baseball and other games on the Lord's Day be permitted; and on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1220) of Daniel J. Gillen that the playing of amateur baseball and football on the Lord's Day be authorized, — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence. Lord's Day, — amateur baseball and other sports.

On motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, by a vote of 20 to 6, the report was amended by substituting a "Bill to authorize the playing of baseball and other amateur sports on the Lord's Day" (printed as House, No. 1703); and the bill was read and, under the rule, was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Perrin, at fifteen minutes past three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, May 20, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Message from His Excellency the Governor.

The following message was received from His Excellency the Governor, to wit: —

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, May 20, 1919.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

Message from
Governor, —
employment
for disabled
persons. —

Massachusetts is a great industrial Commonwealth. It has been interested in taking every possible means to provide for the welfare of the people engaged in its industries. It has become the foremost State in activities of this nature. Our industrial life is not without its peril to health and its danger of personal injury. Health conditions are being steadily bettered by legislation providing for the best of sanitary conditions under which people work. Personal injury has been reduced and guarded against by legislation requiring safety devices upon dangerous machinery. This has not, however, been able to eliminate accidents and there are in this Commonwealth annually many thousands of such accidents. Many of our great industrial plants have provided most generously for the immediate relief of such injuries by an official medical, surgical and hospital equipment.

There are many instances, however, of people who are so injured as to be incapable of again resuming their former employment. In nearly all instances they could with the help of the surgical skill and the mechanical devices which have been developed in the present war for the benefit of injured soldiers, be so restored physically and so trained that they could become self sustaining producers.

The problem of so restoring, equipping and training such injured persons should be at once considered by the Commonwealth. There is in existence the splendid hospital of reconstruction which was so generously provided by the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks for the Federal government to be used for the benefit of injured service men. Fortunately, the contest at arms closed before we had suffered in that direction as much as our allies; but with this example before us of the benefits that can be conferred, all injured people ought to be provided with a means of re-establishing themselves physically and industrially, and there is no way that this object can be attained except through government activity.

It is therefore recommended that the Industrial Accident Board be authorized to make an investigation of the needs of

the Commonwealth for this purpose, and of the resources, public and private, which exist for performing these services; and report to the next General Court a plan for providing such a system for the benefit of the people of the Commonwealth.

CALVIN COOLIDGE.

The message (see Senate, No. 551) was read and was referred to the committee on Reconstruction.

Sent down for concurrence.

Reports of a Committee.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House bills

Relative to the laying out and construction by the county of Essex of a highway between the town of Rockport and the city of Gloucester (House, No. 1638); and

To fix the minimum wage of scrubwomen (House, No. 1731), — severally, ought to pass;

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the House Bill relative to the management of the State Farm at Bridgewater and to the release of inmates therefrom (House, No. 1648), ought to pass (Mr. Curran, dissenting);

By Mr. Smith, for the same committee, that the House bills

To provide for a bounty on seals (House, No. 1694);

To establish the salary of the chief engineer at the State House (House, No. 1701);

To regulate the use of aircraft (House, No. 1716);

To establish the salaries of the assistant engineers, firemen and helpers employed in the State House (House, No. 1718);

To establish the compensation of the watchmen and assistant watchmen at the State House (House, No. 1719); and

To establish the compensation of the elevator operators in the State House (House, No. 1721), — severally, ought to pass; and

By Mr. Curran, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to establish the salaries of the messengers of the Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts situated in Suffolk County (Senate, No. 516), ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Smith, for the same committee, that the House Bill to regulate the salaries of turnkeys and watchmen in the State Prison and the Massachusetts Reformatory (House, No. 1715), ought to pass with an amendment in section 1, striking out, in line 6, the words "service of the above mentioned institutions", and inserting in place thereof the words "prison service";

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading, with the amendment pending.

Rockport and Gloucester, — county highway.

Scrubwomen, — minimum wage.

State Farm at Bridgewater, — management and release.

Seals, — bounty.

State House, — salary of chief engineer.

Aircraft, — regulation.

State House, — salaries of assistant engineers, firemen and helpers.

State House, — salaries of watchmen and assistant watchmen.

State House, — salaries of elevator operators.

Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts, — salaries of messengers in Suffolk County.

State Prison and Massachusetts Reformatory, — salaries of turnkeys and watchmen.

Order Adopted.

Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden offered the following order, to wit: —

Attorney-
General, —
opinion as
to constitu-
tionality of
legislation to
regulate the
dimensions
of certain
motor-
vehicles.

Ordered, That the Senate request the opinion of the Attorney-General on the question whether exempting from the provisions of Senate Bill No. 547, entitled "An Act to regulate the dimensions of commercial vehicles and motor trucks and their trailers," so far as they restrict the height of motor-vehicles and their loads, delivery vehicles owned by manufacturers and dealers in boxes or barrels, would render the bill unconstitutional.

Senate Rule No. 13 A was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the order was considered forthwith; and it was adopted.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Pages of the
General Court,
— compensa-
tion.

A Bill to fix the compensation of pages in the employ of the Sergeant-at-Arms (House, No. 1676, amended, — on the petition of Martin Hays and another, accompanied by bill, House, No. 675); and

Resolves

State Normal
School at
Lowell, —
additional
land.

Providing for an investigation by the Board of Education relative to the purchase of land for the use of the State Normal School at Lowell (House, No. 1724, — on the petition of Victor Francis Jewett, accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1037); and

Town laws, —
commission on
codification.

To provide for the appointment of a commission to complete the work of revising and codifying the laws relating to towns (House, No. 1730, — on the petition of Francis Prescott, accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 39);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Inland waters,
— fishing and
boating.

A Bill relative to boating and fishing in great ponds (House, No. 1734, — on the petition of William J. Naphen, accompanied by bill, House, No. 644; and the petition of William D. Lambert and others, accompanied by bill, House, No. 801); and

Widow of
John Bush.

A Resolve in favor of the widow of John Bush (House, No. 1723, — on the petition of E. K. Bowser and others, accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1441);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Gas and
electric com-
panies, —
contracts.

A Report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches with reference to the House Bill relative to contracts between gas and electric companies (House, No. 1531, amended), — that they were unable to agree, — was read and, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Beck, was considered forthwith and was accepted, in concurrence.

Waltham, —
grade crossing
of Boston and
Maine Rail-
road and
Moody street.

A special report of the Public Service Commission relative to the expediency of prompt action to effect the abolition of the grade crossing of the Boston and Maine Railroad and Moody Street in the city of Waltham (House, No. 1735), — was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Railroads.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Bill to regulate the dimensions of commercial vehicles and motor trucks and their trailers (Senate, No. 547), — was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed. Commercial motor-vehicles, — dimensions.

Mr. Chamberlain moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until the next session.

Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden moved that the further consideration thereof be postponed until the following Tuesday.

The question being put on the latter motion (that motion having precedence, under the rule), the same prevailed; and, accordingly, the further consideration of the bill was postponed until the following Tuesday, the question being on passing it to be engrossed, the amendments previously moved by Messrs. Beck and Knox, pending.

The Senate Bill to provide for the licensing and regulation of private detectives (Senate, No. 550), — was passed to be engrossed. Private detectives.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill to establish the salary of the fire prevention commissioner for the metropolitan district (printed as House, No. 128, changed), — was considered; and, pending the question on rejecting the bill, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, it was recommitted to the said committee on motion of Mr. McLane. Fire prevention commissioner, — salary.

The House Bill making further provision for the appropriate celebration of the three hundredth anniversary of the landing of the Pilgrims (House, No. 1635), — was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Landing of the Pilgrims, — three hundredth anniversary.

The Bill to regulate transactions with reference to the purchase and sale of securities and commodities (Senate, No. 549), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Kearney, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday. Securities and commodities, — purchase and sale.

The Bill relative to licenses for theatrical exhibitions (House, No. 1726), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. McLane, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday. Theatrical exhibitions, — licenses.

The bills

To authorize the playing of baseball and other amateur sports on the Lord's Day (printed as House, No. 1703); Bills.

Relative to removals, suspensions and transfers in the police department of the city of Boston (House, No. 683);

Relative to naming co-respondents in libels for divorce for adultery (House, No. 1546);

Bills. Relative to the Boston Chamber of Commerce (House, No. 1690); and

Resolve. Relative to interest on unpaid taxes (House, No. 1697); and
The Resolve in favor of the widow of Allen A. David (House, No. 1706);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Second-hand motor-vehicles.

The Senate Bill to regulate the purchase and sale of second-hand motor-vehicles and parts thereof (Senate, No. 512), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by adding the following new section: "SECTION 14. This act shall not apply to any person whose principal business is the manufacture and sale of new motor-vehicles, but who incidentally acquires and sells second-hand vehicles."

This amendment was adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Motor-vehicles, — mirrors and spot-lights.

The Senate Bill to require mirrors or reflectors on certain motor-vehicles, and to regulate the use of spot-lights thereon (Senate, No. 523) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 1, by inserting after the word "truck", in line 2, the words "upon any way in this Commonwealth, as defined in section one of chapter five hundred and thirty-four of the Acts of nineteen hundred and nine, and amendments thereof"; and by striking out, in line 6, the words "and at the sides of the same".

These amendments were adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Boston, — term of office of mayor.

The House Bill relative to the term of office of the mayor of the city of Boston (House, No. 1643, amended), — was read a third time; and the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Callahan, Edward
Curran, George E.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.

Messrs. Knox, Joseph O.
Mahoney, John J.
Nason, Arthur L.
Perrin, Harold L.
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 16.

NAYS.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Loring, Augustus P.
McLane, Walter E.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Smith, Charles S.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 13.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

NAYS.

Mr. Edward A. Counihan, Jr. (present),	Mr. Francis Prescott.
Mr. David S. McIntosh,	Mr. Edward N. Dahlborg (present).
Mr. John Cronin (present),	Mr. Edward B. Eames.
Mr. Warren E. Tarbell (present),	Mr. George B. Churchill. — 8.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. Charles D. Brown,	Mr. John A. Curtin. — 2.
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So the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Bill relative to the settlement by public administrators of the estates of certain deceased persons (House, No. 1691) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 1, by striking out, in lines 7 and 8, the words "the deceased left no known heirs", and inserting in place thereof the words "there are no known heirs of the deceased person living."

Deceased persons, — settlement of estates.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

The House Report of the committee on Education, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 107) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for the establishment, within the metropolitan district of Boston, of a State university, — was accepted, in concurrence. House report.

On motion of Mr. Gifford, at twenty-seven minutes before four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, May 21, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of a Committee.*Cambridge
subway, —
purchase by
Common-
wealth.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill providing for the purchase by the Commonwealth of the Cambridge subway, its appurtenances and connections (Senate, No. 490), ought to pass in a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 552);

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Feeble-minded
persons, —
free clinics.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the House Bill to establish free clinics for the feeble-minded and a registry of the feeble-minded (House, No. 1625), ought to pass;

Pages of the
General Court,
— compensa-
tion.

By Mr. McLane, for the same committee, that the House Bill to fix the compensation of pages in the employ of the Sergeant-at-Arms (House, No. 1676, amended), ought to pass;

Industrial
Accident
Board, —
director of
public safety.

By Mr. Smith, for the same committee, that the Senate bills Establishing the position of director of public safety in the department of the Industrial Accident Board (Senate, No. 530); and

Broad Canal, —
sea-wall.

To authorize the Metropolitan Park Commission to rebuild a certain sea-wall on Broad Canal in the city of Cambridge (printed as House, No. 788); and

The House bills

Massachusetts
Reformatory,
— salary of
parole clerk.
Mystic
Lakes.

Relative to the salary of the parole clerk at the Massachusetts Reformatory (House, No. 287, amended); and

To authorize the Metropolitan Park Commission to acquire certain lands on the banks of the Mystic Lakes in the towns of Arlington and Winchester and the city of Medford (House, No. 1655), — severally, ought to pass; and

Soldiers'
Memorial
Commission,
— memorial
building.

By Mr. Curran, for the same committee, that the House Bill providing for the appointment of a Soldiers' Memorial Commission and for the construction of a building in memory of Massachusetts soldiers and sailors (House, No. 1692, amended), ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Municipal
boundaries, —
sign-posts.

By Mr. Gifford, for the same committee, that the House Bill to provide for placing on main highways sign-posts indicating the boundaries of cities and towns (House, No. 1472, amended), ought to pass with an amendment striking out, in line 2, the word "directed", and inserting in place thereof the word "authorized"; and

By Mr. Curran, for the same committee, that the House Bill to establish the salaries of the porters at the State House (House, No. 1722), ought to pass with amendments in section 1, striking out, in line 2, the word "eleven", and inserting in place thereof the word "twelve"; and striking out, in line 4, the word "ten", and inserting in place thereof the word "eleven";

State House,
— salaries of
porters.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading, with the amendments pending.

By Mr. Gifford, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to authorize the Massachusetts Highway Commission to keep certain highways on main through routes passable for motor-vehicles during the winter months (Senate, No. 14), ought not to pass (Mr. Churchill, dissenting); and

State high-
ways, — pass-
able for motor-
vehicles
during winter.

By Mr. Churchill, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to provide for the appointment of deputy assistant clerks of courts (printed as House, No. 686), ought not to pass;

Deputy assist-
ant clerks of
courts.

Severally read, and the bills placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question, in each instance, being on re-jecting the bill.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Nichols moved that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the House Bill relative to the term of office of the mayor of the city of Boston (House, No. 1643, amended).

Boston, —
term of
office of
mayor.

On motion of the same Senator, by a vote of 16 to 9, the con-sideration of this motion was postponed until the matters in the Orders of the Day should be disposed of.

Subsequently, the matters in the Orders of the Day having been disposed of, the motion to reconsider was again considered; and the question thereon was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Cavanagh, James F.
Churchill, George B.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Loring, Augustus P.
McLane, Walter E.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Smith, Charles S.
Tarbell, Warren E. — 11.

NAYS.

Messrs. Callahan, Edward
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Eames, Edward B.
Foley, William J.
Kearney, John J.

Messrs. Knox, Joseph O.
Mahoney, John J.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 10.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. Edward N. Dahlborg,
Mr. Samuel B. Finkel,
Mr. Thomas Weston, Jr. (present),
Mr. George D. Chamberlain (present),
Mr. Francis Prescott (present),
Mr. Walter A. Hardy (present),
Mr. John A. Curtin (present),

NAYS.

Mr. Silas D. Reed (present).
Mr. John Cronin (present).
Mr. George E. Curran.
Mr. John Halliwell.
Mr. Arthur L. Nason.
Mr. George H. Jackson.
Mr. David S. McIntosh. — 14.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Colburn, Arthur W.
Gifford, Charles L.

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Perrin, Harold L. — 4.

So the motion to reconsider prevailed.

The recurring question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, was then determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Callahan, Edward
Foley, William J.
Kearney, John J.
Mahoney, John J.

Messrs. Sullivan, Peter F.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 7.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Cavanagh, James F.
Churchill, George B.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Loring, Augustus P.
McLane, Walter E.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Smith, Charles S.
Tarbell, Warren E. — 11.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. Silas D. Reed (present),
Mr. John Halliwell,
Mr. George E. Curran,
Mr. Arthur L. Nason,
Mr. John Cronin (present),
Mr. David S. McIntosh,
Mr. George H. Jackson,
Mr. George A. Hastings,
Mr. Joseph O. Knox (present),
Mr. Edward A. Counihan, Jr. (present),

NAYS.

Mr. Edward N. Dahlborg.
Mr. George D. Chamberlain (present).
Mr. Thomas Weston, Jr. (present).
Mr. Francis Prescott (present).
Mr. Samuel B. Finkel.
Mr. John A. Curtin (present).
Mr. Walter A. Hardy (present).
Mr. Edward B. Eames (present).
Mr. Arthur W. Colburn.
Mr. Charles L. Gifford. — 20.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. Harold L. Perrin. — 1.

So the bill was rejected.

Petition.

Mr. Eames presented a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 553) of the sewer commissioners of the town of Reading relative to the rate of interest on certain sewer securities of said town; and the petition was referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. McLane, to the committee on Municipal Finance.

Sent down for concurrence.

Order Adopted.

Mr. Beck offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit:—

Ordered, That the time within which the following joint committees are required, under the provisions of the 10th joint

Reading, —
interest on
sewer
securities.

Joint com-
mittees, —
reports.

rule, to make final report upon all matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended to Wednesday, May 28, to wit: —

Administration and Commissions, Education, Judiciary, Legal Affairs, Street Railways, Taxation and Ways and Means.

Subsequently, the same Senator, for the joint committee on Rules, reported that the order ought to be adopted; and it was considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, further moved by Mr. Beck, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Resolve providing for an investigation by the State Department of Health as to the pollution of Taunton River and its tributaries (House, No. 506, amended, — on the petition of George M. Webber), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Taunton River and tributaries, — protection.

Bills

Relative to sales at auction of personal property (printed as Senate, No. 458, on the petition of Albert T. Wall);

Personal property, — sales at auction.

To provide for precinct voting, limited town-meetings, town-meeting members, a referendum and an annual moderator in the town of Watertown (House, No. 1618, on the petition of the selectmen of said town);

Watertown, — form of government.

Relative to the carrying of concealed weapons (House, No. 1707, — on the petition of Alvin E. Bliss, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1504); and

Concealed weapons.

Relative to the theft of motor-vehicles (House, No. 1711, — on the report of the special commission relative thereto, House, No. 1450, in part);

Motor-vehicles, — theft.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

The Senate Bill to provide for the regulation and licensing of day nurseries (Senate, No. 511), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the following amendments: In section 1, inserting after the word "are", in line 3, the word "commonly"; and in section 4, striking out, in lines 2, 3 and 4, the words "or by an agent of the State Department of Health acting upon the request of the local board,"; and striking out, in lines 9, 10 and 11, the words "An agent of the said State department so acting shall make a report to the local board."

Day nurseries.

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Finkel, and the amendments were considered forthwith and were adopted, in concurrence.

A Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1545) of Frederick W. Fosdick relative to the punishment for conspiracy to commit a felony (Messrs. Naphen and Gould, of the House, dissenting), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Conspiracy to commit felony, — punishment.

Boston, —
pensioning
of certain
veterans.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 492) of John E. Beck for an extension of the law relative to the pensioning of veterans by the city of Boston, had been referred, under the provisions of the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the House having refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of said rule.

Worcester, —
indebtedness
for a bridge
over Lake
Quinsigamond.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1738) of the mayor and city solicitor of the city of Worcester that said city be authorized to incur additional indebtedness for the construction of a bridge over a part of Lake Quinsigamond; and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Municipal Finance.

Emergency Preamble Adopted.

Boston and
Maine Rail-
road, — opera-
tion of certain
laws.

The engrossed Bill to extend the time for the operation of certain provisions of law relative to the Boston and Maine Railroad (see Senate, No. 499), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 34.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Cronin, John
Kearney, John J.

Messrs. Perrin, Harold L.
Sullivan, Peter F. — 5.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.
Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

To incorporate the East Boston Waterfront Freight Railway Company;

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To revive the corporation known as the Mineral Products Company;

Relative to the issuance of search-warrants for the seizure of firearms, weapons and ammunition kept for unlawful purposes;

To prohibit the sale of ammunition to certain minors; and

To establish the salary of the trial justice of the town of Saugus.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Bill to provide for the auditing of accounts of cities and towns by the Director of the Bureau of Statistics (House, No. 1462), — was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Municipal
accounts, —
auditing.

Mr. Smith moved that the bill be amended by adding the following new section: "SECTION 7. This act shall be submitted to the voters in the several cities and towns at the next State election and shall take effect in any city or town upon its acceptance by a majority of the voters voting thereon"; and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Curtin, John A.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Winchester, Charles A. — 18.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Churchill, George B.
Cronin, John
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
Reed, Silas D.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 20.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. George E. Curran. — 1.

So the amendment was rejected.

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The question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, was then determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Callahan, Edward
Churchill, George B.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John

Messrs. Hardy, Leonard F.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
Reed, Silas D.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 17

NAYS.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Curtin, John A.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Knox, Joseph O.

Messrs. McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J. — 18.

PAIRED.

YEA.

Mr. Charles D. Brown (present),

NAY.

Mr. Clarence W. Hobbs, Jr. — 2.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. George E. Curran,

Mr. David S. McIntosh. — 2.

So the bill was rejected.

Nomination
papers.

The Senate Report of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 142) of Robert J. Bottomly relative to the time for filing nomination papers for certain candidates for public office, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Friday, on motion of Mr. McLane.

Metropolitan
district, —
transportation
of school
pupils.

By a vote of 14 to 11, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at a previous session, it had rejected the House Bill relative to the transportation of school pupils in the metropolitan district (House, No. 1386, amended). On the recurring question, by a vote of 16 to 13, the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments previously adopted by the Senate, which were sent down for concurrence.

The bills

To establish the salaries of the messengers of the Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts situated in Suffolk County (Senate, No. 516);

Relative to the laying out and construction by the county of Essex of a highway between the town of Rockport and the city of Gloucester (House, No. 1638);

Relative to the management of the State Farm at Bridgewater and to the release of inmates therefrom (House, No. 1648);

To provide for a bounty on seals (House, No. 1694);

To establish the salary of the chief engineer at the State House (House, No. 1701);

To regulate the use of aircraft (House, No. 1716);

To establish the salaries of the assistant engineers, firemen and helpers employed in the State House (House, No. 1718);

To establish the compensation of the watchmen and assistant watchmen at the State House (House, No. 1719); and

To establish the compensation of the elevator operators in the State House (House, No. 1721); and

The Resolve in favor of the widow of John Bush (House, No. Resolve. 1723);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The House Bill to regulate the salaries of turnkeys and watchmen in the State Prison and the Massachusetts Reformatory (House, No. 1715), — was read a second time and was amended in section 1, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, by striking out, in line 6, the words "service of the above mentioned institutions", and inserting in place thereof the words "prison service." The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

State Prison and Massachusetts Reformatory, — salaries of turnkeys and watchmen.

The Bill to fix the minimum wage of scrubwomen (House, No. 1731), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Beck, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session.

Scrubwomen, — minimum wage.

The Bill relative to boating and fishing in great ponds (House, No. 1734), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Dahlborg, by a vote of 15 to 4, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session.

Inland waters, — fishing and boating.

The Senate Bill to authorize the playing of baseball and other amateur sports on the Lord's Day (printed as House, No. 1703), — was read a third time and was amended in section 1, on motion of Mr. Chamberlain, by striking out, in line 5, the words "amateur sports", and inserting in place thereof the words "outdoor amateur athletic games".

Lord's Day, — baseball.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House bills

Relative to removals, suspensions and transfers in the police department of the city of Boston (House, No. 683); and

House bills.

Relative to naming co-respondents in libels for divorce for adultery (House, No. 1546);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

**Boston
Chamber of
Commerce.**

The House Bill relative to the Boston Chamber of Commerce (House, No. 1690), — was read a third time. On motion of Mr. Counihan, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Friday.

House resolve.

The House Resolve in favor of the widow of Allen A. David (House, No. 1706), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Reed.

On motion of Mr. Weston, at fourteen minutes past five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, May 22, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Henry Hallam Saunderson of Boston.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Resolve providing for an investigation by the Board of Education relative to the purchase of land for the use of the State Normal School at Lowell (House, No. 1724), ought to pass;

State Normal
School at
Lowell.

By Mr. McLane, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to establish the salaries of the inspection force of the Commissioner of Standards (printed as House, No. 442); and

Commissioner
of Standards,
— salaries of
inspection
force.

The House Resolve providing for an investigation by the State Department of Health as to the pollution of Taunton River and its tributaries (House, No. 506, amended), — severally, ought to pass;

Taunton
River, —
pollution.

By Mr. Smith, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to establish the salary of the Fire Prevention Commissioner for the metropolitan district (printed as House, No. 128, changed); and

Fire Preven-
tion Commis-
sioner, —
salary.

The House Resolve to provide for the appointment of a commission to complete the work of revising and codifying the laws relating to towns (House, No. 1730), — severally, ought to pass; and

Town laws, —
commission to
revise.

By Mr. Curran, for the same committee, that the Senate bills Relative to the office force of the district attorney for the Suffolk district (Senate, No. 408); and

Suffolk district,
— office force
of district
attorney.

To provide for an additional assistant clerk of the Superior Court for civil business for the county of Suffolk (printed as House, No. 813), — severally, ought to pass;

Suffolk
County
Superior
(Civil) Court,
— additional
assistant clerk.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. McLane, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to establish the salary of William H. Sanger as Assistant Clerk of the Senate and the salary of Frank E. Bridgman as Assistant Clerk of the House of Representatives (Senate, No. 159), ought to pass with an amendment striking out the words at the end of the bill "to be so allowed from the first day of January in the year nineteen hundred and nineteen", and inserting in place thereof the words "The increases in salaries provided for by this act shall not take effect until an appropriation has been made sufficient to cover the same and then as of the first day of June in the current year.";

Senate and
House, —
salaries of
assistant
clerks.

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading, with the amendment pending.

Adjutant-General's department, — salaries.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to establish the salary of the Adjutant-General (Senate, No. 203); and the Senate Bill relative to salaries in the department of the Adjutant-General (printed as House, No. 320), — ought to pass in a new draft entitled "An Act relative to certain salaries in the department of the Adjutant-General" (Senate, No. 554);

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Penal institutions, — compensation of inmates.

By Mr. Knox, for the committee on Public Institutions, on so much of the recommitted recommendations of the Massachusetts Bureau of Prisons (House, No. 1165) as relates thereto (in part), a Bill providing for the compensation of inmates of the State Prison, the Massachusetts Reformatory, the Reformatory for Women and the Prison Camp and Hospital (printed as House, No. 1175) (Mr. Dahlborg, of the Senate, and Messrs. Larocque of Fall River, Dean of Worcester, Briggs of Plymouth and Keating of Westborough, of the House, dissenting);

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Members of the General Court, — compensation.

A Bill to establish the compensation of the members of the General Court (House, No. 1629, amended, — on the petition of Arthur N. Newhall, accompanied by bill, House, No. 529; the petition of Frank H. Cowin, accompanied by bill, House, No. 698; the petition of Albert L. Whitman, accompanied by bill, House, No. 699; and the petition of John L. Donovan, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1237), — was read. On motion of Mr. Gifford, Senate Rule No. 27 was suspended; and the bill was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Bills

Lieutenant-Governor, — salary.

To establish the salary of the Lieutenant-Governor of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1688, amended, — on the petition of Albert L. Whitman, accompanied by bill, House, No. 669);

Appropriations, — supplementary budget.

In addition to the general appropriation act making appropriations to supplement certain items contained therein, for certain permanent improvements and for certain new activities and projects (House, No. 1732, — being based, in part, on the following: So much of the recommendations of the Board of Education as relates to the State Normal School at Framingham, see House, No. 178; the petition of Roland D. Sawyer, accompanied by resolve, House, No. 280; the petition of Carl Dreyfus and others, accompanied by resolve, House, No. 507; the petition of Charles N. Stoddard and another, accompanied by resolve, House, No. 595; the petition of Charles A. Flanagan and another, accompanied by resolve, House, No. 651; the petition of Horace B. Parker and others, accompanied by resolves, House, Nos. 653 and 654; the petition of Horace B. Parker, accompanied by resolve, House, No. 655; the petition of R. L. Bridgman and others, accompanied by resolve, House, No.

709; the petition of Benjamin B. Jones, accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1288; the petition of John H. Montgomery, accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1435; the petition of Thomas F. Pedrick, accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1617; the petition of Richard R. Flynn, accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 433; the petition of Frederic C. Nichols, accompanied by bill, House, No. 153; the bill, House, No. 182, and the resolve, House, No. 227, severally taken from the House files);

To provide for a commission to investigate the judicature of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1752, — on the petition of Robert W. Renfrew and another, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1208; and on the special report of the Supervisor of Administration, House, No. 1451, in part); and

Judicature
commission.

Relative to the inspection force of the State Board of Labor and Industries (House, No. 1756, — new draft of Senate Bill No. 489; and of a bill, House, No. 1376, substituted by the House for the Senate Report of the committee on Public Service, "reference to the next General Court," on the petition of Dennis F. Reardon); and

State Board of
Labor and
Industries, —
inspection
force.

A Resolve providing for an investigation by the Director of the Bureau of Statistics as to the value of the property of educational institutions which is exempt from taxation (House, No. 1714, — on the petitions of Julius Meyers, accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 301, 302, 539, 540 and 541);

Educational
institutions,
— property
exempt from
taxation.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills

Relative to the licensing of motor-vehicles owned and operated by dealers (House, No. 1710, — on the report of the special commission relative thereto, House, No. 1450, in part);

Dealers'
vehicles, —
licensing.

Relative to the authority of the board of aldermen of the city of Waltham (House, No. 1733, — on the petition of George R. Beal, mayor, and others, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1616);

Waltham, —
authority of
board of
aldermen.

Relative to the powers of cities and towns in respect to public recreation, playgrounds and physical education (House, No. 1742, amended, — on the petition of Edward T. Hartman, accompanied by bill, House, No. 914);

Public recre-
ation, play-
grounds and
physical
education.

Requiring the vaccination of certain children in private schools (House, No. 1749, — on the petition of Enos H. Bigelow, accompanied by bill, House, No. 664) (Mr. Jackson, of the Senate, and Mr. Mulveny, of the House, dissenting); and

School
children, —
exemption
from vac-
cination.

To prevent the promotion of anarchy (House, No. 1757, — new draft of Senate Bill No. 515);

Anarchy.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Reports

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 808) of Parker D. Morris that the salary of the agent of the Advisory Board of Pardons be established; and

Advisory
Board of
Pardons, —
salary of
agent.

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the recommendations of the Massachusetts Bureau

Prison service,
— salaries.

of Prisons (House, No. 1165) as relates to the regulation of salaries in the prison service (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1174);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Message from
the Governor,
— protection
of tenants.

A message from His Excellency the Governor recommending legislation to protect tenants from summary eviction and to extend the time during which they are required to vacate (House, No. 1753), — was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the House) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To authorize the city of Cambridge to retire and pension M. Alice Dow;

Relative to the maintenance of an athletic field in the city of Lawrence;

To establish the salary of the clerk in charge of the legislative document room; and

To establish the salary of the matron in the Sergeant-at-Arms department at the State House.

Engrossed Bill Amended.

Commissioner
of State Aid
and Pensions,
— duties and
expenses.

An engrossed Bill relative to the duties and expenses of the Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions (which originated in the House) (see House, No. 1611, amended), — was put upon its final passage.

On motions of Mr. Beck, Senate Rule No. 49 was suspended and the bill was amended as follows: By prefixing thereto the following emergency preamble:

"Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, the efficient administration of the office of Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions requiring its immediate operation, therefore the same is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience."; also by adding the following new section: "SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage."

Sent down for concurrence in the amendments. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of Mr. Beck.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Boston, —
abolition of
the finance
commission.

The House Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 792) of Frank H. Cowin that the finance commission of the city of Boston be abolished or reorganized, — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

Mr. Mahoney moved that the report be amended by substituting a "Bill to provide legal assistance for the Boston Finance Commission and to establish the salary of its secretary" (Senate, No. 555).

Pending this amendment and pending the main question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of the same Senator.

The Bill to regulate transactions with reference to the purchase and sale of securities and commodities (Senate, No. 549), — was considered; and the question on ordering it to a third reading was determined as follows, to wit: —

Securities and
commodities,
— purchase
and sale.

YEAS.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
McLane, Walter E.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 21.

NAYS.

Messrs. Callahan, Edward
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Kearney, John J.

Messrs. Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
Nason, Arthur L.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Winchester, Charles A. — 11.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Curtin, John A.
Eames, Edward B.

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Jackson, George H.
Perrin, Harold L. — 7.

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The House Bill relative to licenses for theatrical exhibitions (House, No. 1726), — was considered; and the question on ordering it to a third reading was determined as follows, to wit: —

Theatrical,
exhibitions, —
licenses.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Cronin, John

Messrs. Dahlborg, Edward N.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Hardy, Leonard F.
McLane, Walter E. — 9.

NAYS.

Messrs. Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.

Messrs. Curran, George E.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.

Messrs. Halliwell, John
 Hardy, Walter A.
 Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
 Jackson, George H.
 Knox, Joseph O.
 Loring, Augustus P.
 Mahoney, John J.
 McIntosh, David S.
 Nason, Arthur L.

Messrs. Nichols, Malcolm E.
 Prescott, Francis
 Reed, Silas D.
 Smith, Charles S.
 Sullivan, Peter F.
 Tarbell, Warren E.
 Walsh, John J.
 Weston, Thomas, Jr.
 Winchester, Charles A. — 24.

YEA.

PAIRED.

NAY.

Mr. John A. Curtin,

Mr. John J. Kearney (present). — 2.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
 Eames, Edward B.

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
 Perrin, Harold L. — 4.

So the Senate refused to order the bill to a third reading.

Scrubwomen,
 — minimum
 wage.

The Bill to fix the minimum wage of scrubwomen (House, No. 1731), — was considered; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Gifford.

Inland waters,
 — fishing and
 boating.

The Bill relative to boating and fishing in great ponds (House, No. 1734), — was considered; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Wednesday, on motion of Mr. Cavanagh.

Industrial
 Accident
 Board, —
 director of
 public safety.

The Bill establishing the position of director of public safety in the department of the Industrial Accident Board (Senate, No. 530), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Hobbs, the bill was laid on the table.

Cambridge
 subway, —
 purchase by
 Common-
 wealth.

The Senate Bill providing for the purchase by the Commonwealth of the Cambridge subway, its appurtenances and connections (Senate, No. 552), — was read a second time.

Mr. Counihan moved that the bill be amended by adding the following new section: — "SECTION 11. Upon the acquisition by the Commonwealth of the said subway, the Public Service Commission shall cause to be removed the surface structures in Harvard Square, in the city of Cambridge, used in conjunction therewith."

Pending this amendment and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of the same Senator.

Municipal
 boundaries, —
 sign-posts.

The House Bill to provide for placing on main highways sign-posts indicating the boundaries of cities and towns (House, No. 1472, amended), — was read a second time; and, pending the

amendment recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. McLane.

The House Bill to establish free clinics for the feeble-minded and a registry of the feeble-minded (House, No. 1625), — was read a second time. Feeble-minded persons, — free clinics.

Mr. Prescott moved that the bill be amended by striking out section 3.

Pending this amendment and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Chamberlain.

The House Bill relative to the theft of motor-vehicles (House, No. 1711), — was read a second time. Motor-vehicles, — theft.

Mr. Beck moved that the bill be amended in section 1, by striking out, in line 9, the words "one year", and inserting in place thereof the words "five years".

Pending this amendment and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of Mr. Cavanagh.

The House Bill to establish the salaries of the porters at the State House (House, No. 1722), — was read a second time and was amended in section 1, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, by striking out, in line 2, the word "eleven", and inserting in place thereof the word "twelve"; and by striking out, in line 4, the word "ten", and inserting in place thereof the word "eleven". The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading. State House, — salaries of porters.

The bills

To authorize the Metropolitan Park Commission to rebuild a certain sea-wall on Broad Canal in the city of Cambridge (printed as House, No. 788); Bills.

Relative to sales at auction of personal property (printed as Senate, No. 458);

Relative to the salary of the parole clerk at the Massachusetts Reformatory (House, No. 287, amended);

To provide for precinct voting, limited town-meetings, town-meeting members, a referendum and an annual moderator in the town of Watertown (House, No. 1618);

To authorize the Metropolitan Park Commission to acquire certain lands on the banks of the Mystic Lakes in the towns of Arlington and Winchester and the city of Medford (House, No. 1655);

To fix the compensation of pages in the employ of the Sergeant-at-Arms (House, No. 1676, amended);

Providing for the appointment of a Soldiers' Memorial Commission and for the construction of a building in memory of Massachusetts soldiers and sailors (House, No. 1692, amended); and

Bill.

Relative to the carrying of concealed weapons (House, No. 1707);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

State high-ways, — pass-able for motor-vehicles during winter.

The Senate Bill to authorize the Massachusetts Highway Commission to keep certain highways on main through routes passable for motor-vehicles during the winter months (Senate, No. 14, changed), — was considered; and, pending the question on rejecting the bill, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Hardy of Worcester.

Deputy assist-ant clerks of courts.

The Senate Bill to provide for the appointment of deputy assistant clerks of courts (printed as House, No. 686), — was considered; and, pending the question on rejecting the bill, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Hardy of Worcester.

Senate bill.

The Senate Bill to establish the salaries of the messenger of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court and of the Superior Court in the county of Suffolk (Senate, No. 516) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

House bills.

The House bills

Relative to the management of the State Farm at Bridgewater and to the release of inmates therefrom (House, No. 1648);

To provide for a bounty on seals (House, No. 1694);

To establish the salary of the chief engineer at the State House (House, No. 1701);

To establish the salaries of the assistant engineers, firemen and helpers employed in the State House (House, No. 1718);

To establish the compensation of the watchmen and assistant watchmen at the State House (House, No. 1719); and

To establish the compensation of the elevator operators in the State House (House, No. 1721); and

House resolve.

The House Resolve in favor of the widow of John Bush (House, No. 1723);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

State Prison and Massachusetts Reformatory, — salaries of turnkeys and watchmen.

The House Bill to establish the salaries of turnkeys and watchmen in the State Prison and the Massachusetts Reformatory (House, No. 1715) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment previously adopted by the Senate, which was sent down for concurrence.

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, ^{House} reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1545) of Frederick W. Fosdick relative to the punishment for conspiracy to commit a felony, — was accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Cronin, at fifteen minutes before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

FRIDAY, May 23, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Neponset
River, — com-
pletion of
bridge between
Boston and
Quincy.

A Bill to provide for the completion by the Metropolitan Park Commission of Neponset bridge over Neponset River between the cities of Boston and Quincy (House, No. 1660, amended, — on the special report of the Metropolitan Park Commission relative thereto, House, No. 237), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bridges, —
protection
from excessive
loads.

A Bill to provide for protecting bridges on certain roads from damage caused by loaded vehicles weighing more than six tons (House, No. 1728, — on the report of the special commission relative thereto, House, No. 1450, in part), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Sheriffs, —
salaries.

A Bill relative to the salaries of sheriffs (printed as Senate, No. 205, — on the petition of Olin M. Jeffords; and on the special report of the Supervisor of Administration, House, No. 1451, in part), — came up, recommitted to the committee on Public Service, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule; and the Senate concurred in the suspension of the said rule.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

Relative to the supervisors of accounts in the office of the Auditor of the Commonwealth;

To extend the time for the operation of certain provisions of law relative to the Boston and Maine Railroad;

To establish the salary of the chaplain of the State Prison;

Relative to the Springfield Branch of the Woman's Board of Missions;

To provide for the testing of poultry for the elimination of disease;

Requiring the Board of Trustees of the Boston Elevated Railway Company to report annually to the General Court; and

To establish the salaries of the court officers of the municipal court of the Roxbury district of the city of Boston.

Resolve
passed, etc.

An engrossed Resolve to authorize the pensioning of Patrick E. Barry, a former police officer of the Metropolitan Park Commission (which originated in the House), — was passed and, with the above-named bills, was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Report of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 142) of Robert J. Bottomly relative to the time for filing nomination papers for certain candidates for public office, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. McLane.

Nomination
papers.

The House Bill relative to the Boston Chamber of Commerce (House, No. 1690), — was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Boston
Chamber of
Commerce.

The House Bill to provide for placing on main highways sign-posts indicating the boundaries of cities and towns (House, No. 1472, amended), — was amended, as had been previously recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, by striking out, in line 2, the word "directed", and inserting in place thereof the word "authorized". The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

Municipal
boundaries, —
sign-posts.

The Senate Bill to establish the salary of William H. Sanger as Assistant Clerk of the Senate and the salary of Frank E. Bridgman as Assistant Clerk of the House of Representatives (Senate, No. 159), — was read a second time and was amended, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, by striking out at the end thereof the words "to be so allowed from the first day of January in the year nineteen hundred and nineteen", and inserting in place thereof the words "The increases in salaries provided for by this act shall not take effect until an appropriation has been made sufficient to cover the same and then as of the first day of June in the current year." The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

Senate and
House, —
salaries of
assistant
clerks.

The House Bill to establish the compensation of the members of the General Court (House, No. 1629, amended), — was read a second time.

Members of
the General
Court, —
compensation.

Mr. Prescott moved that the bill be amended in section 2 (inserted by amendment by the House), by striking out the words "nineteen hundred and nineteen", and inserting in place thereof the words "nineteen hundred and twenty."

Mr. Gifford moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until the following Wednesday; and this motion was negatived, by a vote of 11 to 14.

The question on adopting the amendment moved by Mr. Prescott was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Hardy, Walter A.
Loring, Augustus P.

Messrs. Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 8.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.

Messrs. Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Winchester, Charles A. — 23.

PAIRED.

YEA.

Mr. Malcolm E. Nichols (present),

NAY.

Mr. David S. McIntosh. — 2.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Curtin, John A.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Nason, Arthur L. — 6.

So the amendment was rejected.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

School
children, —
exemption
from vac-
cination.

The Bill requiring the vaccination of certain children in private schools (House, No. 1749), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Knox, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday.

Taunton
River, —
pollution.

The Resolve providing for an investigation by the State Department of Health as to the pollution of Taunton River and its tributaries (House, No. 506, amended), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Reed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday.

Bills.

The bills

Relative to the office force of the district attorney for the Suffolk district (Senate, No. 408);

Relative to certain salaries in the department of the Adjutant General (Senate, No. 554);

To establish the salary of the Fire Prevention Commissioner for the metropolitan district (printed as House, No. 128, changed);

To establish the salaries of the inspection force of the Commissioner of Standards (printed as House, No. 442);

To provide for an additional assistant clerk of the Superior Court for civil business for the county of Suffolk (printed as House, No. 813);

Relative to the licensing of motor-vehicles owned and operated by dealers (House, No. 1710);

Relative to the authority of the board of aldermen of the city of Waltham (House, No. 1733);

Relative to the powers of cities and towns in respect to public recreation, playgrounds and physical education (House, No. 1742, amended); and

To prevent the promotion of anarchy (House, No. 1757); and
The resolves

Providing for an investigation by the Board of Education relative to the purchase of land for the use of the State Normal School at Lowell (House, No. 1724); and Resolves.

To provide for the appointment of a commission to complete the work of revising and codifying the laws relating to towns (House, No. 1730);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill relative to the payment by insurance companies of death or compensation benefits under the Workmen's Compensation Act (Senate, No. 525), — was read a third time. Workmen's
Compensation
Act, — pay-
ment of death
benefits.
Mr. Counihan, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 556).

This amendment was adopted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 556), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The Senate Bill to authorize the Metropolitan Park Commission to rebuild a certain sea-wall on Broad Canal in the city of Cambridge (printed as House, No. 788), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Senate bill.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill relative to sales at auction of personal property (printed as Senate, No. 458), — was read a third time; and it was rejected. Personal prop-
erty, — sales at
auction.

The House bills

Relative to the salary of the parole clerk at the Massachusetts Reformatory (House, No. 287, amended); House bills.

To authorize the Metropolitan Park Commission to acquire certain lands on the banks of the Mystic Lakes in the towns of Arlington and Winchester and the city of Medford (House, No. 1655);

Relative to the Newton Real Estate Association (House, No. 1670);

To fix the compensation of pages in the employ of the Sergeant-at-Arms (House, No. 1676, amended);

Providing for the appointment of a Soldiers' Memorial Commission and for the construction of a building in memory of Massachusetts soldiers and sailors (House, No. 1692, amended); and

Relative to the carrying of concealed weapons (House, No. 1707);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Bill to establish the salaries of the porters at the State House (House, No. 1722), — was read a third time and

passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments previously adopted by the Senate, which were sent down for concurrence.

The House reports

House reports.

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 808) of Parker D. Morris that the salary of the agent of the Advisory Board of Pardons be established; and

Of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the recommendations of the Massachusetts Bureau of Prisons (House, No. 1165) as relates to the regulation of salaries in the prison service (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1174);

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Counihan, at twenty-five minutes before one o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, May 26, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Bill Recalled from the Governor.

On motion of Mr. Hastings, it was voted that a message be sent to His Excellency the Governor requesting the return to the Senate of the engrossed Bill relative to the supervisors of accounts in the office of the Auditor of the Commonwealth (which originated in the Senate) (see bill printed as House, No. 1439).

Auditor of the Commonwealth; — supervisors of accounts.

Mr. Hastings was appointed the messenger. Subsequently, the bill was returned and was laid before the Senate. On motion of the same Senator, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had passed the bill to be enacted.

On further motions of Mr. Hastings, Senate Rule No. 49 was suspended and the bill was amended by adding at the end thereof the words "and who may be removed from office for cause at any time with the consent of the Governor and Council."

Sent down for concurrence in the amendment.

Communication from the Attorney-General.

The following communication was received from the Attorney-General, to wit: —

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,
BOSTON, May 26, 1919.

Hon. EDWIN T. MCKNIGHT, *President of the Senate.*

DEAR SIR: — I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of a copy of the following order passed by the Honorable Senate:

Communication from Attorney-General, — charges for price of gas.

"Ordered, That the Senate request the opinion of the Attorney-General as to whether a gas company, as defined in section one of chapter seven hundred and forty-two of the Acts of nineteen hundred and fourteen, may lawfully, after the establishment by the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners or otherwise of a net maximum rate to be charged by such company, establish a gross rate, in excess of said net rate, which shall be paid by all customers who do not, prior to a specified date, pay the net rate."

I assume that the question presented by the order arises from a practice, which I am informed by the chairman of the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners has prevailed for many years, of fixing in the orders of said Board issued under the provisions of St. 1914, c. 742, § 162, a net price that may be charged by the company affected by the order. It is provided by said section 162 that upon the complaint in writing of the mayor of a city or the selectmen of a town, or of twenty customers, either as to the quality or price of the gas or electricity sold and deliv-

ered, the Board, after a hearing, may order any reduction in the price of gas or electricity or an improvement in the quality thereof, and it is further provided that the maximum price fixed by such order shall not thereafter be increased by the company except as provided in the following section. The following section (§ 163) provides for a revision of orders relative to the price and quality of gas or electricity made by the Board, upon application by the company.

Apart from these two sections, and except in so far as by reason of the nature of the business the rates must be reasonable, there are no provisions of general law that restrict a gas or electric light company as to the charges it may make for the service it furnishes or as to the regulations it may adopt to insure prompt payment in accordance with the terms upon which it sells gas or electricity. Thus, a gas or electric light company as to which no order has been made may increase the price of gas or electricity without regard to said sections.

As I understand it, therefore, the question presented is this: Where a gas company has been charging a net price to those paying their bills promptly when due and a larger price to those failing to pay when due, and the Board orders a reduction in or a revision of the net price, does the action of the Board in fixing a net price prohibit the charging thereafter of a 'gross price to the users of gas who do not pay the charges when due?

Assuming that the Board is authorized to make such an order, which I deem it unnecessary to determine, as otherwise it would seem no order binding upon the company is made, I am of the opinion that in such a case the company may charge a gross rate. A long continued practice, acquiesced in by the public, is not lightly to be disturbed. But for the last sentence of section 162, there would be no doubt, as the only order made by the Board is in relation to the net price, leaving the company free to charge, as before, a gross price in excess of the net price to those not paying their bills promptly. The last sentence of the section provides that "the maximum price fixed by such order shall not thereafter be increased by said company except as provided in the following section." This provision originally appeared as a part of St. 1888, c. 350. The other provisions of that act are now contained in said section 163. The purpose of the provision seems to have been to insure that a price once fixed by an order of the Board should not thereafter be increased except as provided in said chapter 350. It is a reasonable view to take that it was not intended by this provision to interfere with the conduct of the business of a company other than as ordered by the Board. It is to be noted that apparently the provision has no application to an order made under the provisions of said section 163. The intent was to prohibit a company from increasing the price fixed by an order of the Board. When, by order, the Board deals solely with a net price, it contemplates that a gross price in excess will be charged and impliedly authorizes such a charge. Obviously, the gross rate must be reasonable and the difference between the gross and net rates must have relation to the expense to which the company is put by the failure of the users of

gas to pay the net rate when due. Assuming, therefore, that the gross rate charged is a reasonable rate, the question of the Honorable Senate is to be answered in the affirmative.

Yours very truly,

HENRY C. ATTWILL,
Attorney-General.

The communication was read and, on motions of Mr. Finkel, was laid on the table and ordered to be printed (Senate, No. 561).

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill to authorize the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court to employ additional stenographers in the county of Suffolk (Senate, No. 429);

Suffolk County,
— stenog-
raphers for
Justices of
Supreme
Judicial Court.

The House bills

Relative to the compensation of medical examiners in the county of Suffolk (House, No. 1717); and

Suffolk County,
— medical
examiners.
Judicature
commission.

To provide for a commission to investigate the judicature of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1752); and

The House Resolve providing for an investigation by the Director of the Bureau of Statistics as to the value of the property of educational institutions which is exempt from taxation (House, No. 1714) (Mr. Curran, dissenting), — severally, ought to pass; and

Educational
institutions, —
property
exempt from
taxation.

By Mr. McLane, for the same committee, that the House bills

To provide for the completion by the Metropolitan Park Commission of Neponset bridge over Neponset River between the cities of Boston and Quincy (House, No. 1660, amended); and

Neponset
River, — com-
pletion of
bridge between
Boston and
Quincy.

Relative to the inspection force of the State Board of Labor and Industries (House, No. 1756), — severally, ought to pass;

State Board of
Labor and
Industries, —
inspection
force.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Gifford, for the same committee, that the House Bill to authorize the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game to lease certain ponds in the town of Wareham for the artificial propagation of alewives (House, No. 1424, amended), ought to pass in a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 559);

Wareham, —
artificial
propagation
of alewives.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Chamberlain, for the committee on Education, on so much of the Governor's Address (Senate, No. 1) as relates to Education (in part); on the report of the Special Recess Commission on Education, (Senate, No. 330) (in part) (see Senate, Nos. 351 and 352); on the petition of George A. Nourse (accompanied by bill, House, No. 315); and on the petition of Fred P. Greenwood (accompanied by bill, House, No. 912), a Bill to provide for the distribution of a portion of the income tax, and of the income of the Massachusetts School Fund, for the purpose of improving the public schools (Senate, No. 558);

Massachusetts
School Fund.

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Communication.

Soldiers, sailors
and marines, —
public em-
ployment.

A communication from the Soldiers' and Sailors' Commission recommending legislation to give certain preference in public employment to soldiers, sailors and marines, — was laid before the Senate; and it was referred to the committee on Reconstruction.

On motion of Mr. Beck, the communication was ordered to be printed (Senate, No. 557).

Sent down for concurrence in the reference.

Reconsideration.

Personal prop-
erty, — sales at
auction.

After the Orders of the Day had been disposed of, Mr. Walsh asked unanimous consent that he might move that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had rejected the House Bill relative to sales at auction of personal property (printed as Senate, No. 458); and, there being no objection, this motion was entertained; and it prevailed.

Pending the recurring question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of the same Senator.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Children, —
sight-saving
classes.

Relative to sight-saving classes for children (House, No. 1144, amended, — on the recommendations of the Massachusetts Commission for the Blind, House, No. 1141, in part);

Attorneys
at law, —
removal.

Relative to the removal of attorneys at law (House, No. 1668, — on the petition of Abram J. Berkwitz, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1050);

Doorkeepers,
postmaster
and messen-
gers, —
salaries.

To fix the salaries of the doorkeepers, assistant doorkeepers, postmaster and messengers of the General Court (House, No. 1754, — on the petition of Leland Powers, accompanied by bill, House, No. 676);

Norfolk
County
Agricultural
School, —
land and
buildings.

To authorize the Trustees of the Norfolk County Agricultural School to take certain land and construct certain buildings (House, No. 1761, — on the petition of Frank G. Allen and others, accompanied by bill, House, No. 743; and the petition of Ernest H. Gilbert and another, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1317); and

Soldiers who
served on the
Mexican border,
— certificates
of honor.

To provide for the granting of certificates of honor to citizens of Massachusetts who served on the Mexican border (House, No. 1763, — on the petition of William H. Hearn, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1094); and

Resolves

Bertha M.
Guenther
of Dracut.

Authorizing the payment of an annuity to Bertha M. Guenther of Dracut (House, No. 1744, — on the petition of Arthur W. Colburn and others, accompanied by resolve, House, No. 961); and

In favor of Marian C. Burrows, widow of Charles T. Burrows (House, No. 1762, — on the petition of Samuel H. Wragg and another, accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1283);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill to provide for a public Latin school in the city of Boston (House, No. 1647, amended, — on the petition of the school-committee of said city); and

A Resolve granting annuities to Samantha Talbot and Delia Dailey of Agawam (House, No. 1747, — on the petition of the same, accompanied by resolve, House, No. 45);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Reports

Of the committee on Railroads, no legislation necessary, on the special report of the Public Service Commission relative to the expediency of prompt action to effect the abolition of the grade crossing of the Boston and Maine Railroad and Moody Street in the city of Waltham (House, No. 1735); and

Of the joint committee on Ways and Means, no legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the Supervisor of Administration (House, No. 322) as relates to the amount of money allowed the Governor and Council for military and extraordinary expenses (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 323);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Notice was received from the House that the House had refused to reenact the engrossed Bill to suspend the civil service laws and regulations in favor of returning soldiers and sailors (see House, No. 1543, amended), which had been returned to the Senate by His Excellency the Governor under the provisions of Article LVI of the Amendments of the Constitution.

The Senate Bill to permit absent voters to vote at State elections (Senate, No. 326, amended), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the following amendments:

In section 6, inserting after the word "clerk", in line 11, the words: "The city clerk shall cause to be placed on the voting list, opposite the name of each person registered as an absent voter, the letters in capitals A. V."; and

In section 8, striking out, in line 3, the words "as follows: —", and inserting in place thereof the words "on or prior to the day of election."; and striking out lines 4 to 13, inclusive.

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Hobbs, and the amendments were considered forthwith, and were adopted, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

By a vote of 14 to 1, the Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to a Resolution relative to Captain William R. Rush, United States Navy, Commandant

Widow of
Charles T.
Burrows.

Boston, —
new public
Latin school.

Samantha
Talbot and
Delia Dailey,
— annuities.

Waltham, —
abolition of
grade crossing
of Boston
and Maine
Railroad and
Moody Street.

Governor and
Council, —
military and
extraordinary
expenses.

Returning
soldiers and
sailors, —
civil service.

State elec-
tions, —
absent
voting.

Captain Wil-
liam R. Rush,
Commandant
at the Navy
Yard at
Charlestown.

at the Navy Yard at Charlestown; and the resolution was returned to the House for its action.

The following House order was adopted, in concurrence: —

Committee on Public Institutions, — investigation of conditions prevailing at the Rutland State Sanatorium.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Institutions be directed to investigate into conditions prevailing at the Rutland State Sanatorium, with special reference to the care of patients therein and the relations existing between such patients and the officers and employees of the institution. The committee may, if deemed necessary, hold public hearings, may administer oaths and require the attendance of witnesses and the production of books and documents; may employ a stenographer and may incur necessary expenses for travel or otherwise as it may find necessary. It shall make a report, with such recommendations as it may deem expedient, to the General Court on or before June 15 in the current year.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

To authorize the city of Boston to acquire certain property of historical interest;

Relative to the wrongful retention or disposition by carriers of sums received from consignees;

To provide for the preparation and distribution to the voters of arguments relative to measures submitted under the initiative and referendum;

Making further provision for the appropriate celebration of the three hundredth anniversary of the landing of the Pilgrims; and

To require the display of the National flag in courts of justice.

Resolve passed, etc.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of the widow of Allen A. David (which originated in the Senate), — was passed and, with the above-named bills, was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Emergency Preamble Adopted.

Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions.

An engrossed Bill relative to the duties and expenses of the Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions (see House, No. 1611, amended), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

MESSRS. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.

MESSRS. Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.

Messrs. Loring, Augustus P.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.

Messrs. Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 30.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Colburn, Arthur W.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Hardy, Walter A.
Kearney, John J.

Messrs. Knox, Joseph O.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
Nichols, Malcolm E. — 9.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Bill relative to the payment by insurance companies of death or compensation benefits under the Workmen's Compensation Act (Senate, No. 556), — was passed to be engrossed.

Workmen's
Compensation
Act, — pay-
ment of death
benefits.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill relative to the theft of motor-vehicles (House, No. 1711), — was considered; and, pending the amendment previously moved by Mr. Beck, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Beck.

Motor-vehicles,
— theft.

The Bill to provide for protecting bridges on certain roads from damage caused by loaded vehicles weighing more than six tons (House, No. 1728), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bills

To establish the salary of William H. Sanger as Assistant Clerk of the Senate and the salary of Frank E. Bridgman as Assistant Clerk of the House of Representatives (Senate, No. 159, amended);

Senate bills.

Relative to the office force of the district attorney for the Suffolk district (Senate, No. 408);

Relative to certain salaries in the department of the Adjutant General (Senate, No. 554);

Relative to the salaries of the inspection force of the Commissioner of Standards (printed as House, No. 442) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

Senate bill.

To provide for an additional assistant clerk of the Superior Court for civil business for the county of Suffolk (printed as House, No. 813);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.
Severally sent down for concurrence.

Injured em-
ployees, —
fund to guar-
antee payment.

The Senate Bill to provide for the payment of compensation and to establish a fund for the payment of part of the compensation due employees receiving second injuries which cause total incapacity for work (Senate, No. 526), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft entitled "An Act to establish a special fund in the custody of the Treasurer and Receiver-General for the purpose of paying additional compensation to certain injured employees" (Senate, No. 560).

This amendment was adopted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 560), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Municipal
boundaries, —
sign-posts.

The House Bill to provide for placing on main highways sign-posts indicating the boundaries of cities and towns (House, No. 1472, amended), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment previously adopted by the Senate, which was sent down for concurrence.

Members of
General Court,
— compensa-
tion.

The House Bill to establish the compensation of the members of the General Court (House, No. 1629, amended), — was read a third time; and the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John

Messrs. Hardy, Leonard F.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Kearney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Perrin, Harold L.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Winchester, Charles A. — 20.

NAYS.

Messrs. Callahan, Edward
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Hastings, George A.
Loring, Augustus P.

Messrs. Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 9.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

NAYS.

Mr. George H. Jackson (present),	Mr. Walter A. Hardy.
Mr. James F. Cavanagh,	Mr. John E. Beck (present).
Mr. John J. Mahoney,	Mr. Malcolm E. Nichols (present).
Mr. George E. Curran,	Mr. Francis Prescott (present). — 8.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. John A. Curtin,	Mr. Joseph O. Knox. — 2.
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So the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Bill relative to the laying out and construction by the county of Essex of a highway between the town of Rockport and the city of Gloucester (House, No. 1638), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 2, by striking out, in lines 16 and 17, the words "a rate not exceeding four and one-half per cent per annum", and inserting in place thereof the words "such rates as the treasurer of the county may determine with the approval of the county commissioners."

Essex County,
— highway be-
tween Rock-
port and
Gloucester.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

The House bills

Relative to the authority of the board of aldermen of the city of Waltham (House, No. 1733); and

House bills.

Relative to the powers of cities and towns in respect to public recreation, playgrounds and physical education (House, No. 1742, amended); and

The House Resolve providing for an investigation by the Board of Education relative to the purchase of land for the use of the State Normal School at Lowell (House, No. 1724);

House resolve.

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Bill to prevent the promotion of anarchy (House, No. 1757), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Loring.

House bill.

On motion of Mr. Loring, at twenty-eight minutes past three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, May 27, 1919.

Met according to adjournment, Mr. Churchill in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*Supplementary
budget bill.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill in addition to the general appropriation act making appropriations to supplement certain items contained therein for certain permanent improvements and for certain new activities and projects (House, No. 1732), ought to pass with the following amendments in section 2: —

Striking out Item No. 25b;

Striking out Item No. 36; and

In Item No. 286a, inserting in line 1, after the word "services", the words "of employees";

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading, with the amendments pending.

Boston Juve-
nile Court, —
salary of
justice.

By Mr. Curran, for the same committee, that the Senate bills To establish the salary of the justice of the Boston Juvenile Court (Senate, No. 400); and

Boston, —
court officer
in Dorchester
municipal
court.

To establish the salary of the court officer of the municipal court of the Dorchester district of the city of Boston (printed as House, No. 284), — severally, ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Mary Glavin.

By Mr. Gifford, for the joint committee on Ways and Means, on the petition of Daniel J. Chapman (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 134), a Resolve in favor of Mary Glavin (Senate, No. 563);

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Eastern Massa-
chusetts Street
Railway
Company.

By Mr. Cavanagh, for the committee on Street Railways, on the special report of the Public Service Commission relative to the street railway situation of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1431) (in part), a Bill relative to the Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company (Senate, No. 562);

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Order.

Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —

Committee on
Legal Affairs, —
travel.

Ordered. That the committee on Legal Affairs be authorized to travel, in the discharge of its duties, in the city of Boston, on or before June 13.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

To provide for the completion by the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board of the Wellesley extension of the south metropolitan sewerage system (House, No. 1727, — substituted for the House Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, "reference to the next General Court," on so much of the message from the Governor, House, No. 185, as relates thereto);

Wellesley, — extension of south metropolitan sewer.

Relative to the fees of medical examiners and associate medical examiners in counties other than the county of Suffolk (House, No. 1729, — new draft of the recommitted House Bill No. 1637; and based, in part, on the special report of the Supervisor of Administration, House, No. 1451);

Medical examiners and associates, — fees.

To provide further for the improvement and protection by the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands of rivers, harbors, tidewaters and foreshores (House, No. 1743); and

Rivers, harbors, tide-waters and foreshores, — improvement and protection. State Prison, — salary of physician and surgeon.

To establish the salary of the physician and surgeon at the State Prison (House, No. 1755, — on the petition of the same, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1238);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill to authorize a petition to be brought by James H. Burke under the act relative to the removal, suspension or reduction of persons in the classified civil service (House, No. 681, on the petition of the same), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

James H. Burke, — civil service status.

A Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1212) of Warren F. Spalding that the waiving of jury trials in criminal cases be authorized, — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Criminal cases, — waiving of jury trials.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate Bill to exempt the estates of soldiers and sailors from the payment of certain inheritance taxes (Senate, No. 449, amended), had been rejected by the House.

Estates of soldiers and sailors, — exemption from inheritance taxes.

A message from His Excellency the Governor relative to the purchase by the United States government of the dry-dock and certain land in the South Boston district of the city of Boston (House, No. 1775), — was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Message from the Governor, — purchase by the United States of the dry-dock in South Boston.

House petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1766) of Alvin E. Bliss for the repeal of certain provisions of law relative to dividends on deposits in savings banks and trust companies;

Savings banks and trust companies, — dividends on deposits.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1736) of Daniel J. Hayden that the city of Lynn be authorized to pension Annie Welch; and

Lynn, — pensioning of Annie Welch.

Newton and
Brookline, —
boundary line.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1737) of Abbott B. Rice for the correction of an error in the statute defining the boundary line between the city of Newton and town of Brookline;

Severally, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, in each instance, to the committee on Cities.

Smith Blair
Company.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1768), of Atherton N. Hunt that the corporation known as the Smith Blair Company be revived;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Emergency Preamble Adopted.

Anarchy.

An engrossed Bill to prevent the promotion of anarchy (see House, No. 1757), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 34.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Churchill, George B.
Curtin, John A.
Mahoney, John J.

Messrs. McIntosh, David S.
Nichols, Malcolm E. — 5.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the House) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

Relative to the duties and expenses of the Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions;

Providing for the appointment of a Soldiers' Memorial Commission and for the construction of a building in memory of Massachusetts soldiers and sailors; and

To fix the compensation of pages in the employ of the Sergeant-at-Arms.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Bill to regulate the dimensions of commercial vehicles and motor trucks and their trailers (Senate, No. 547), — was considered; and, pending the amendments previously moved by Messrs. Beck and Knox, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden.

Commercial motor-vehicles, — dimensions.

The Senate Bill to establish a special fund in the custody of the Treasurer and Receiver-General for the purpose of paying additional compensation to certain injured employees (Senate, No. 560), — was passed to be engrossed.

Injured employees, — fund to guarantee payment.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Report of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 142) of Robert J. Bottomly relative to the time for filing nomination papers for certain candidates for public office, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of Mr. Hobbs.

Nomination papers.

The House Bill to fix the minimum wage of scrubwomen (House, No. 1731), — was amended, on motion of Mr. Beck, by striking out section 3. By a vote of 14 to 3, the bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

Scrubwomen, — minimum wage.

The Senate Bill providing for the purchase by the Commonwealth of the Cambridge subway, its appurtenances and connections (Senate, No. 552), — was considered; and, pending the amendment previously moved by Mr. Counihan, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of Mr. Gifford.

Cambridge subway, — purchase by Commonwealth.

The House Bill relative to the theft of motor-vehicles (House, No. 1711), — was considered; and, pending the amendment previously moved by Mr. Beck, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of Mr. Beck.

Motor-vehicles, — theft.

The Senate Bill to authorize the Massachusetts Highway Commission to keep certain highways on main through routes passable for motor-vehicles during the winter months (Senate, No. 14, changed), — was considered; and, pending the question on re-

State highways, — passable for motor-vehicles during winter.

jecting the bill, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Reed.

Deputy assistant clerks of courts.

The Senate Bill to provide for the appointment of deputy assistant clerks of courts (printed as House, No. 686), — was considered; and, pending the question on rejecting the bill, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Tarbell.

School children, — exemption from vaccination.

The House Bill requiring the vaccination of certain children in private schools (House, No. 1749), — was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Perrin moved that the bill be amended in section 1, by striking out, in line 9, the word "pupil", and inserting in place thereof the words "child under eighteen years of age"; and this amendment was adopted, by a vote of 17 to 6.

The question on ordering the bill, as amended, to a third reading was then determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Loring, Augustus P.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 11.

NAYS.

Messrs. Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John

Messrs. Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 26.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. David S. McIntosh,

Mr. Warren E. Tarbell. — 2.

So the Senate refused to order the bill to a third reading.

Taunton River, — pollution.

The Resolve providing for an investigation by the State Department of Health as to the pollution of Taunton River and its tributaries (House, No. 506, amended), — was ordered to a third reading.

Personal property, — sales at auction.

The House Bill relative to sales at auction of personal property (printed as Senate, No. 458), — was considered; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of Mr. Kearney.

The bills

To authorize the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court to employ additional stenographers in the county of Suffolk (Senate, No. 429);

To authorize the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game to lease certain ponds in the town of Wareham for the artificial propagation of alewives (Senate, No. 559);

To provide for a public Latin school in the city of Boston (House, No. 1647, amended);

To provide for the completion by the Metropolitan Park Commission of Neponset bridge over Neponset River between the cities of Boston and Quincy (House, No. 1660, amended);

Relative to the compensation of medical examiners in the county of Suffolk (House, No. 1717); and

Relative to the inspection force of the State Board of Labor and Industries (House, No. 1756); and

The resolves

Providing for an investigation by the Director of the Bureau of Statistics as to the value of the property of educational institutions which is exempt from taxation (House, No. 1714); and

Granting annuities to Samantha Talbot and Delia Dailey of Agawam (House, No. 1747);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The House Bill to provide for a commission to investigate the judicature of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1752), — was read a second time and, by a vote of 9 to 0, was amended, on motion of Mr. Reed, by striking out section 2. The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill to regulate transactions relating to the purchase and sale of securities and commodities (Senate, No. 549) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed, by a vote of 22 to 4.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill to establish the salary of the Fire Prevention Commissioner for the metropolitan district (printed as House, No. 128, changed), — was read a third time.

Mr. Smith moved that the bill be amended by adding the following new section: "SECTION 2. The increase in salary provided for by this act shall not take effect until an appropriation has been made sufficient to cover the same, and then as of the first day of June in the current year."

Mr. Prescott moved that the bill be laid on the table; and this motion was negatived.

The amendment moved by Mr. Smith was adopted.

The bill, as amended (Senate, No. 568), was then passed to be engrossed, by a vote of 21 to 4.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill to incorporate The Independent Order of the J. R. Giddings and Joliffe Union (printed as Senate, No. 448),

Independent
Order of the
J. R. Giddings

and Joliffe
Union.

— was read a third time. Mr. Counihan, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 565).

This amendment was adopted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 565), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

House bill.

The House Bill relative to the registration of motor-vehicles owned and operated by dealers (House, No. 1710) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Aircraft.

The House Bill to regulate the use of aircraft (House, No. 1716), — was read a third time.

Mr. Finkel moved that the bill be amended in section 4, by striking out all after the word "inventors", in line 6, and inserting in place thereof the words "or their assistants flying their own machines or manufacturers while engaged in experimental flying for scientific purposes on practice ground, shall be exempt from the provisions of this section."

Pending this amendment and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Beck.

Bridges, —
protection
from damage
by loaded
vehicles.

The House Bill to provide for protecting bridges on certain roads from damage caused by loaded vehicles weighing more than six tons (House, No. 1728), — was read a third time and was amended in section 2, on motion of Mr. Cavanagh, by striking out, in line 1, the words "owning or".

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Town laws, —
revising and
codifying.

The House Resolve to provide for the appointment of a commission to complete the work of revising and codifying the laws relating to towns (House, No. 1730), — was read a third time. Mr. Counihan, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the resolve be amended by substituting a new draft in the form of a bill with the same title (Senate, No. 564).

This amendment was adopted.

Under the rule, the resolve, as amended by the substitution of the bill (Senate, No. 564), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

House report.

The House Report of the committee on Railroads, no legislation necessary, on the special report of the Public Service Commission relative to the expediency of prompt action to effect the abolition of the grade crossing of the Boston and Maine Railroad and Moody Street in the city of Waltham (House, No. 1735), — was accepted, in concurrence.

The House Report of the joint committee on Ways and Means, no legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the Supervisor of Administration (House, No. 322) as relates to the amount of money allowed the Governor and Council for military and extraordinary expenses (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 323), — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Gifford.

On motion of Mr. Callahan, at twenty minutes past four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, May 28, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

Huntington, —
funding of
indebtedness.

By Mr. Halliwell, for the committee on Municipal Finance, on the petition of the selectmen of said town (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 538), a Bill to authorize the town of Huntington to fund certain indebtedness (Senate, No. 566);

Read, the rules suspended, on motion of the same Senator, and the bill read a second time and a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 suspended, on further motion of Mr. Halliwell.

Buildings, —
limits as to
construction
and use.

By Mr. Knox, for the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of Edwin O. Childs, a Bill to authorize cities and towns to limit buildings according to their use or construction (printed as House, No. 635); and

Smith Blair
Company.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of Atherton N. Hunt, a Bill to revive the corporation known as the Smith Blair Company (printed as House, No. 1768);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Income tax, —
distribution.

By Mr. Nichols, for the committee on Taxation, on the report of the joint special recess committee on Taxation (Senate, No. 313) (in part), a Bill relative to the distribution of the tax on incomes (Senate, No. 567) (Messrs. Powers of Newton and Torrey of Groton, of the House, dissenting);

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Reconsideration.

Members of
General Court,
— compen-
sation.

Mr. McLane asked unanimous consent that he might move that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at a previous session, it had passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the House Bill to establish the compensation of the members of the General Court (House, No. 1629, amended); and, there being no objection, this motion was entertained; and it prevailed.

Pending the recurring question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the matters in the Orders of the Day had been disposed of.

Subsequently, the matters in the Orders of the Day having been disposed of, the bill was again considered; and it was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Orders Adopted.

Mr. Beck offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit:—

Ordered, That the time within which the following joint committees are required, under the provisions of the 10th joint rule, to make final report upon all matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended to Wednesday, June 4, to wit:—

Administration and Commissions, Education, Judiciary, Legal Affairs, Street Railways, Taxation and Ways and Means.

Subsequently, the same Senator, for the joint committee on Rules, reported that the order ought to be adopted; and it was considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule; further moved by Mr. Beck, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. McLane, —

Ordered, That the Senate meet on Thursday, May 29, at eleven o'clock A.M. and that there be no session on the following day.

Senate, —
hour of
meeting
May 29; no
session on
May 30.

Order.

Mr. Kearney offered the following order; and, under the rule, it was referred to the Senate committee on Rules, to wit:—

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Health be directed to investigate forthwith into the subject-matter of House Bill No. 1734, relative to boating and fishing in great ponds, and to advise the Senate whether, to what extent, and in what respects the public health may be jeopardized by its passage. The Commissioner of Health shall submit his report on or before the sixth day of June in the current year.

Great ponds,
— investigation
relative
to boating
and fishing.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill to provide for a poultry plant, a hothouse and other improvements at the Bristol County Agricultural School (House, No. 580, amended, — on the petition of the county commissioners of said county) (Mr. Baldwin, of the House, dissenting), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bristol County
Agricultural
School, —
improvements.

Reports

Of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1201) of Daniel J. Gillen relative to the powers of ward committees in the city of Boston in respect to appointing registrars of voters, wardens, inspectors and clerks; and

Boston, —
powers of
ward com-
mittees.

Of the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's Address (Senate, No. 1) concerning "Man Power" as relates to the protection of the public health;

Public health,
— protection.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Edward
Flaherty, —
reinstatement
in metropolitan
park police
force.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 546) of David S. McIntosh that Edward Flaherty be reinstated, without civil service examination, in the metropolitan park police force, had been referred, under the provisions of the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the House having refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of said rule.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first seven of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

Providing for the admissibility of copies of certain hospital records as evidence before the Industrial Accident Board;

Relative to weekly payments to injured employees in cases of partial incapacity;

Relative to appointments and promotions in the police forces of cities and towns;

Relative to the specifications to be furnished to certain operatives in textile factories;

Relative to the payments to certain dependent children of benefits under the Workmen's Compensation Act;

Increasing the minimum and maximum weekly compensation for total incapacity payable to injured employees;

To forbid the paid employment of certain State officials or employees as to questions submitted to the voters;

To provide for a bounty on seals;

To provide for the regulation and licensing of day nurseries;

To establish the salary of the chief engineer at the State House;

Relative to the naming of co-respondents in libels for divorce for adultery;

To establish the compensation of the elevator operators in the State House;

To establish the compensation of the watchmen and assistant watchmen at the State House;

Relative to removals, suspensions and transfers in the police department of the city of Boston;

Relative to the management of the State Farm at Bridgewater and to the release of inmates therefrom;

To regulate the travelling expenses of clerks and assistant clerks of courts in the county of Bristol;

To establish the salaries of the assistant engineers, firemen and helpers employed in the State House; and

To prevent the promotion of anarchy.

Resolve
passed, etc.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of the widow of John Bush (which originated in the House), — was passed and, with the above-named bills, was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate bills

To provide for the appointment of a commission to complete the work of revising and codifying the laws relating to towns (Senate, No. 564); and Town laws, — revising and codifying.

To incorporate The Independent Order of the J. R. Giddings and Joliffe Union (Senate, No. 565); Independent Order of the J. R. Giddings and Joliffe Union.

Were severally passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The Bill relative to boating and fishing in great ponds (House, No. 1734), — was considered; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Cavanagh, by a vote of 12 to 11. Inland waters, — fishing and boating.

The Senate Bill to authorize the Massachusetts Highway Commission to keep certain highways on main through routes passable for motor-vehicles during the winter months (Senate, No. 14, changed), — was considered; and the question on rejecting the bill, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, was determined as follows, to wit: — State highways, — passable for motor-vehicles during winter.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Cavanagh, James F.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Walter A.
Kearney, John J.
Loring, Augustus P.

Messrs. Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Smith, Charles S.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 17.

NAYS.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Eames, Edward B.
Hardy, Leonard F.

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Knox, Joseph O.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J. — 18.

PAIRED.**YEA.**

Mr. David S. McIntosh,

NAY.

Mr. John Halliwell (present). — 2.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. George E. Curran,

Mr. Samuel B. Finkel. — 2.

So the Senate refused to reject the bill; and, under the rule, it was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Deputy assistant clerks of courts.

The Senate Bill to provide for the appointment of deputy assistant clerks of courts (printed as House, No. 686), — was considered; and, pending the question on rejecting the bill, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of Mr. Churchill.

Aircraft.

The House Bill to regulate the use of aircraft (House, No. 1716), — was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Mr. Kearney moved that the bill be amended in section 1, by inserting after the word "he", in line 3, the words "has filed with the Massachusetts Highway Commission a bond in the penal sum of five thousand dollars, with such surety or sureties as the commission may approve, conditioned on the payment of all damages to persons and property caused by the operation of such air craft nor unless he".

Pending this amendment and the amendment previously moved by Mr. Finkel, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Kearney.

Bills.

The bills

To establish the salary of the justice of the Boston Juvenile Court (Senate, No. 400);

To establish the salary of the court officer of the municipal court of the Dorchester district of the city of Boston (printed as House, No. 284); and

To authorize a petition to be brought by James H. Burke under the act relative to the removal, suspension or reduction of persons in the classified civil service (House, No. 681); and

Resolve.

The Resolve in favor of Mary Glavin (Senate, No. 563);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Supplementary budget bill.

The House Bill in addition to the general appropriation act making appropriations to supplement certain items contained therein for certain permanent improvements and for certain new activities and projects (House, No. 1732), — was read a second time and was amended in section 2, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, as follows: —

By striking out Item 25b; by striking out Item 36; and in Item 286a, by inserting, in line 1, after the word "services", the words "of employees".

Mr. Beck moved that the bill be further amended by striking out Item 485a:

"485a For improvements at the Massachusetts Agricultural College, as follows: —

"For an engineering study for the purpose of preparing a plan as to the location of proposed buildings and a scientific layout for steam mains and other pipe lines, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars.

"For the building, furnishing and equipping of a women's dormitory to accommodate ninety-eight students, a sum not exceeding one hundred and twenty-seven thousand four hundred dollars.

"For miscellaneous improvements and equipment, a sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars.

"For improvements at the market garden field station, a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars."

This amendment was rejected, by a vote of 1 to 16.

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill to authorize the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court to employ additional stenographers in the county of Suffolk (Senate, No. 429), — was read a third time and was amended, on motion of Mr. Loring, by adding at the end thereof the words "Expenditures hereby authorized for the balance of the current year are understood to be limited in amount by such sums as may subsequently be appropriated by the General Court."

Suffolk County, — stenographers for Justices of Supreme Judicial Court.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill to authorize the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game to lease certain ponds in the town of Wareham for the artificial propagation of alewives (Senate, No. 559), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Senate bill.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill to provide for a public Latin school in the city of Boston (House, No. 1647, amended), — was read a third time and was amended, on motion of Mr. Nichols, by adding at the end of section 2 (inserted by amendment by the House) the words "provided such acceptance occurs prior to the thirty-first day of December of the current year."

Boston, — public Latin school.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill to fix the minimum wage of scrubwomen (House, No. 1731), — was read a third time, as previously amended by the Senate. Mr. Coughlin, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following: —

Scrubwomen, — minimum wage.

"The minimum wage paid to scrubwomen employed by the Commonwealth or by any political subdivision thereof shall be not less than forty cents an hour."

On motion of Mr. Loring, the amendment was amended by striking out the words "or by any political subdivision thereof".

The amendment, as amended, was then adopted.

Under the rule, the bill was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment.

The House Bill to provide for a commission to investigate the judicature of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1752), — was

Judicature commission.

read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment previously adopted by the Senate, which was sent down for concurrence.

State Board
of Labor and
Industries, —
inspection
force.

The House Bill relative to the inspection force of the State Board of Labor and Industries (House, No. 1756), — was read a third time and was amended in section 1 (as changed), on motion of Mr. Halliwell, by striking out in lines 34 and 35, the word "thirty-five", and inserting in place thereof the word "thirty-nine"; and by inserting after the word "women", in line 35, the words "and four shall be men who have worked at least three years as building construction workmen and who have served in the army or navy of the United States in the present war."

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of Mr. Halliwell.

Educational
institutions, —
property
exempt from
taxation.

The House Resolve providing for an investigation by the Director of the Bureau of Statistics as to the value of the property of educational institutions which is exempt from taxation (House, No. 1714), — was read a third time and was amended, on motion of Mr. Loring, by inserting before the word "educational", in lines 3 and 4, respectively, the words "charitable or".

The resolve was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

House bills.

The House bills

To provide for the completion by the Metropolitan Park Commission of Neponset bridge over Neponset River between the cities of Boston and Quincy (House, No. 1660, amended); and

Relative to the compensation of medical examiners in the county of Suffolk (House, No. 1717); and

House
resolves.

The House resolves

Providing for an investigation by the State Department of Health as to the pollution of Taunton River and its tributaries (House, No. 506, amended); and

Granting annuities to Samantha Talbot and Delia Dailey of Agawam (House, No. 1747);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

House report.

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1212) of Warren F. Spalding that the waiving of jury trials in criminal cases be authorized, — was accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hardy of Worcester, at twenty-five minutes past five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

THURSDAY, May 29, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Stephen A. Norton, D.D., of Woburn.

Reconsideration.

On motion of Mr. Nichols, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the House Bill to provide for the completion by the Metropolitan Park Commission of Neponset bridge over Neponset River between the cities of Boston and Quincy (House, No. 1660, amended).

Neponset River, — completion of bridge between Boston and Quincy.

Pending the recurring question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, it was amended in section 3, on further motion of the same Senator, by inserting after the word "bonds", in line 11, the words "for terms not exceeding forty years, as recommended by the Governor in his message to the General Court dated April twenty-fourth, nineteen hundred and nineteen, in accordance with the provisions of section three of Article LXII of the Amendments to the Constitution."

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

To establish the salaries of county treasurers in certain counties (House, No. 1712, amended, — on the special report of the Supervisor of Administration, House, No. 1451, in part); and

County treasurers, — salaries.

Increasing the amounts allowed for clerical assistance to the registers of probate and insolvency for certain counties (House, No. 1759, — new draft of Senate Bill No. 51, amended; Senate Bill No. 70, amended; Senate Bill No. 200 and Senate Bill No. 303; and based also on the petition of Frank G. Hodskins and another, accompanied by bill, House, No. 170: and on the petition of Harry H. Atwood, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1524);

Registers of probate and insolvency, — clerical assistance.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill to make certain corrections in the tax laws (House, No. 1764, — on the report of the joint special recess committee on Taxation, Senate, No. 313, in part), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Tax laws, — corrections.

The Senate Bill to provide for additional clerical assistance in the police court of Lowell (Senate, No. 202, amended), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment

Police court of Lowell, — clerical assistance.

in section 1, striking out, in line 4, the word "twelve", and inserting in place thereof the word "eight".

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Hastings, and the amendment was considered forthwith and was adopted, in concurrence.

Northern and western districts, — assistant district attorneys.

The Senate Bill to provide for the appointment of an additional second assistant district attorney for the northern district and of an assistant district attorney for the western district (Senate, No. 497), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment adding at the end of section 2 the words "The salaries provided for herein shall not take effect until an appropriation has been made sufficient to cover the same, and in no case until the first day in June of the current year."

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Hastings, and the amendment was considered forthwith and was adopted, in concurrence.

State Guard, — disposition of uniforms.

The Senate Bill relative to the disposition of the uniforms used by the State Guard (Senate, No. 514, amended), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out, in lines 1 to 4, inclusive, the words "are honorably discharged from the State Guard may, upon its disbandment or upon the disbandment of the unit in which they are enrolled, with the approval of their immediate commanding officer," and inserting in place thereof the words "served throughout their two years' enlistment in the State Guard, or who have served less than two years in a company which has been, or hereafter is, disbanded, and who have been honorably discharged therefrom, shall".

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Reed, and the amendment was considered forthwith.

Committee of conference.

The Senate non-concurred in the adoption of the amendment and, on motion of the same Senator, asked for a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches. Messrs. Reed, Weston and Hardy of Worcester were appointed the committee on its part; and the bill was sent down endorsed accordingly.

New Bedford, — sale of park land.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to a House petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1767) of the park board of the city of New Bedford that said city be authorized to sell two parcels of park land no longer needed for public use; and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Cities.

Lord's Day, — baseball, and other sports.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate Bill to authorize the playing of baseball and other amateur sports on the Lord's Day (printed as House, No. 1703, amended), had been rejected by the House.

Emergency Preamble Adopted.

An engrossed Bill relative to the inspection force of the State Board of Labor and Industries (House, No. 1756), amended), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

State Board
of Labor and
Industries, —
inspection
force.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Winchester, Charles A. — 22.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
McIntosh, David S.
Perrin, Harold L.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 17.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

To authorize the Security Trust Company of Lynn to hold additional capital stock of the Security Building Corporation; Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

Relative to the inspection force of the State Board of Labor and Industries;

Relative to the carrying of concealed weapons;

Relative to the Newton Real Estate Association;

Relative to the transportation of school pupils in the metropolitan district;

Relative to the salary of the parole clerk at the Massachusetts Reformatory;

**Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.**

Relative to the settlement by public administrators of the estates of certain deceased persons; and

To authorize the Metropolitan Park Commission to acquire certain land on the banks of the Mystic Lakes in the towns of Arlington and Winchester and the city of Medford.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

**Boston, —
abolition of
the finance
commission.**

The House Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 792) of Frank H. Cowin that the finance commission of the city of Boston be abolished or reorganized, — was considered; and, pending the amendment previously moved by Mr. Mahoney, and pending the main question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Beck.

**Cambridge
subway, —
purchase by
Common-
wealth.**

The Senate Bill providing for the purchase by the Commonwealth of the Cambridge subway, its appurtenances and connections (Senate, No. 552), — was considered; and, pending the amendment previously moved by Mr. Counihan, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Gifford.

**Motor-vehicles,
— theft.**

The House Bill relative to the theft of motor-vehicles (House, No. 1711), — was considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading.

There being no objection, Mr. Beck withdrew the pending amendment previously moved by him.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

Aircraft.

The House Bill to regulate the use of aircraft (House, No. 1716), — was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate adopted the following pending amendment in section 4, previously moved by Mr. Finkel, — striking out all after the word "inventors", in line 6, and inserting in place thereof the words "or their assistants flying their own machines or manufacturers while engaged in experimental flying for scientific purposes on practice ground, shall be exempt from the provisions of this section".

The Senate also adopted the following amendment in section 1, previously moved by Mr. Kearney, — inserting after the word "he", in line 3, the words "has filed with the Massachusetts Highway Commission a bond in the penal sum of five thousand dollars, with such surety or sureties as the commission may approve, conditioned on the payment of all damages to persons and property caused by the operation of such air craft nor unless he".

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill relative to sales at auction of personal property (printed as Senate, No. 458), — was considered; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Reed. Personal property, — sales at auction.

The House Bill to fix the minimum wage of scrubwomen (House, No. 1731), — was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment previously adopted by the Senate. Scrubwomen, — minimum wage.

On motion of Mr. Finkel the title was amended so as to read as follows: "An Act to fix the minimum wage of scrubwomen employed by the Commonwealth."

Sent down for concurrence in the amendments.

The Bill to authorize the Massachusetts Highway Commission to keep certain highways on main through routes passable for motor-vehicles during the winter months (Senate, No. 14, changed), — was read a second time; and it was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 9 to 8. State highways, — passable for motor-vehicles during winter.

The bills

To authorize cities and towns to limit buildings according to their use or construction (printed as House, No. 635); and Bills.

To revive the corporation known as the Smith Blair Company (printed as House, No. 1768);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill to establish the salary of the court officer of the municipal court of the Dorchester district of the city of Boston (printed as House, No. 284); and Senate bill.

The Senate Resolve in favor of Mary Glavin (Senate, No. 563); Senate resolve.

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill to authorize a petition to be brought by James H. Burke under the act relative to the removal, suspension or reduction of persons in the classified civil service (House, No. 681), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. House bill.

The House Bill in addition to the general appropriation act making appropriations to supplement certain items contained therein for certain permanent improvements and for certain new activities and projects (House, No. 1732), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments previously adopted by the Senate, which were sent down for concurrence. Supplementary budget bill.

The House reports

Of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1201) of Daniel J. Gillen relative to the powers of ward House report.

committees in the city of Boston in respect to appointing registrars of voters, wardens, inspectors and clerks; and

House report.

Of the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's Address (Senate, No. 1) concerning "Man Power" as relates to the protection of the public health;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. McLane, at eight minutes before one o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, June 2, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Henry E. Hodge of Winchester.

Bill Returned by the Governor with His Objections.

The engrossed Bill relative to appointments and promotions in the police forces of cities and towns (which originated in the Senate) (see Senate, No. 509, amended), — which, on May 28, had been laid before the Governor for his approbation, and which on Saturday, May 31, had been returned by His Excellency to the office of the Clerk of the Senate together with his objections thereto in writing, — was laid before the Senate.

Veto, — police forces, — appointments and promotions.

The message was as follows: —

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, May 31, 1919.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

Acting under the authority of the constitution of the Commonwealth, an act entitled "An Act Relative to Appointments and Promotions in the Police Forces of Cities and Towns" (Senate No. 509), is herewith returned without approval.

It is of doubtful expediency to limit the appointing power in police departments to a promotion which is not to exceed more than one grade at any time and in the detective forces of a department it would be substantially impossible to have an adequate service by such means. There is no known method of examining the men in the detective department that is satisfactory. If civil service examinations are to have any meaning, they should be open to all and persons should be appointed who are able to qualify. Of course experience would always be a large factor. In smaller forces there would never be but two men eligible for promotion, one of whom would have to be appointed whatever his qualifications might be.

The policemen of Massachusetts are recognized as among the most intelligent and efficient of any in the world. Their courage and ability has often been a subject of favorable comment and praise. They are the guardians of public security, performing a function that lies at the foundation of all liberty. Nothing should be permitted that would tend in any degree to destroy the efficiency that is responsible for this splendid record. The democracy of the force ought to be maintained and no rule of seniority should be allowed to supersede the present democratic rule of efficiency.

CALVIN COOLIDGE.

The message (see Senate, No. 571) was read and the Senate proceeded to reconsider the bill, in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution; and, pending the question on passing the bill, the objections of His Excellency the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. McLane.

Bill Recalled from the Governor.

State Board of Labor and Industries, — inspection force.

On motion of Mr. Halliwell, it was voted that a message be sent to His Excellency the Governor requesting the return to the Senate of the engrossed Bill relative to the inspection force of the State Board of Labor and Industries (which originated in the Senate) (see bill printed as House, No. 1756, amended).

Mr. Halliwell was appointed the messenger. Subsequently, the bill was returned and was laid before the Senate. On motion of the same Senator, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had passed the bill to be enacted.

Pending the recurring question on passing the bill to be enacted, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of the same Senator.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House bills

Sight-saving classes for children.

Relative to sight-saving classes for children (House, No. 1144, amended);

Attorneys at law, — removal.

Relative to the removal of attorneys at law (House, No. 1668);

Norfolk County Agricultural School, — taking of land.

To authorize the Trustees of the Norfolk County Agricultural School to take certain land and construct certain buildings (House, No. 1761); and

Soldiers and sailors, — certificates of honor for service on Mexican border.

To provide for the granting of certificates of honor to citizens of Massachusetts who served on the Mexican border (House, No. 1763); and

Bertha M. Guenther. Marian C. Burrows.

The House resolves

Authorizing the payment of an annuity to Bertha M. Guenther of Dracut (House, No. 1744); and

In favor of Marian C. Burrows, widow of Charles T. Burrows (House, No. 1762), — severally, ought to pass;

Medical examiners, — fees.

By Mr. McLane, for the same committee, that the House bills
Relative to the fees of medical examiners and associate medical examiners in counties other than the county of Suffolk (House, No. 1729);

Rivers, harbors, tidewaters and foreshores, — protection.

To provide further for the improvement and protection by the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands of rivers, harbors, tidewaters and foreshores (House, No. 1743); and

State Prison, — salary of physician and surgeon.

To establish the salary of the physician and surgeon at the State Prison (House, No. 1755), — severally, ought to pass; and

Mount Grace, — State forest.

By Mr. Churchill, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to establish Mount Grace as a State forest (printed as House, No. 177, changed), ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Loring, for the committee on Reconstruction, on the message from His Excellency the Governor (Senate, No. 551) relative thereto, a Resolve to provide for an investigation by the Industrial Accident Board relative to the availability for injured industrial workers of newly developed appliances and services provided for injured soldiers (Senate, No. 570);

Injured employees, — use of newly developed appliances and services provided for injured soldiers.

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Eames, for the Senate committee on Rules, that the following Senate Order ought not to be adopted, to wit: —

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Health be directed to investigate forthwith into the subject-matter of House Bill No. 1734, relative to boating and fishing in great ponds, and to advise the Senate whether, to what extent, and in what respects the public health may be jeopardized by its passage. The Commissioner of Health shall submit his report on or before the sixth day of June in the current year.

Great ponds, — investigation relative to boating and fishing.

Read, and the order placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on adopting it.

Reconsideration.

On motion of Mr. Finkel, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, the House Bill to regulate the use of aircraft (House, No. 1716).

Aircraft.

Pending the recurring question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of the same Senator.

Petitions.

Mr. Reed presented a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 569) of Arthur B. Reed that the trustees of the Taunton State Hospital be authorized to erect a memorial tablet in memory of Mary Jane Flynn; and the petition was referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. McLane, to the committee on Public Institutions.

Taunton State Hospital, — memorial tablet to Mary Jane Flynn.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Weston presented a petition of Thomas Weston, Jr., and others that George W. Bishop, chief of the inspection department of the Public Service Commission, be exempt from the provision of the compulsory retirement law.

George W. Bishop, — retirement.

The same Senator moved that the 12th joint rule be suspended with reference thereto; and this motion was negatived, by a vote of 9 to 13; and, accordingly, under the said rule, the petition was referred to the next General Court.

Order Adopted.

Mr. Knox offered the following order, to wit: —

Ordered, That the Senate request the opinion of the Attorney-General on the question whether Article LX of the Amendments

Attorney-General, — constitution-

ality of bill
relative to
limiting use
and construc-
tion of
buildings.

to the Constitution empowers the General Court to authorize cities and towns to limit buildings according to their use and construction to specified districts thereof, and more especially whether House Bill No. 635 would be constitutional if enacted into law.

Senate Rule No. 13A was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the order was considered forthwith and was adopted.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Persons with
incurable
diseases, —
State care.

Relative to the commitment of certain persons affected with incurable diseases (House, No. 1587, — on the petition of Frederick P. Glazier, accompanied by bill, House, No. 802);

Reformatory
for Women, —
salaries of
officers and
employees.

To regulate the salaries of the officers and employees of the Reformatory for Women (House, No. 1777, — on the petition of Edward J. Cox, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1112); and

State Prison
and Massa-
chusetts Re-
formatory, —
salaries of
clerks.

To regulate the salaries of the clerk at the State Prison and the clerk at the Massachusetts Reformatory (House, No. 1778, — on the petition of Jacob Bitzer, accompanied by bill, House, No. 805);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Tewksbury
Fire and
Water
District.

A Bill to establish the Tewksbury Fire and Water District (House, No. 1772, — on the petition of Irving F. French and others, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1671), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Auditor of the
Common-
wealth, —
supervisors of
accounts.

The engrossed Bill relative to the supervisors of accounts in the office of the Auditor of the Commonwealth (see Senate bill printed as House, No. 1439), — came up, with the endorsement that the House had non-concurred in the adoption of the Senate amendment, — adding at the end thereof the words "and who may be removed from office for cause at any time with the consent of the Governor and Council."

On motion of Mr. Hastings, the Senate receded from its amendment. The bill was then passed to be enacted; and, having been signed by the President, was again laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Reports

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court:

Insurance com-
panies, —
liability for
acts of agents.

On so much of the recommendations of the Insurance Commissioner (House, No. 362) as relates to the liability of insurance companies for the acts or knowledge of their agents (accompanied by bill, House, No. 388); and

Fraudulent
conveyances,
— uniformity
of legislation.

On so much of the recommendations of the Board of Commissioners for the Promotion of Uniformity of Legislation in the United States (House, No. 426) as relates to fraudulent conveyances and to make uniform the law relating thereto (accompanied by bill, House, No. 430); and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 767) of William Sumner Appleton that provision be made for the preservation of ancient landmarks and the like; and Ancient landmarks, — preservation.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1067) of J. Weston Allen relative to the printing and distribution of the laws passed by the General Court; Acts and resolves, — printing and distribution.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to each of the following House petitions; and, accordingly, under the said rule, they were severally referred to the next General Court, to wit: —

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1534) of William A. Kneeland relative to preference in employment of veterans of the European war by the Boston Elevated Railway Company and the Bay State Street Railway Company; and Boston Elevated Railway Company and Bay State Street Railway Company, — employment of soldiers and sailors.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1770) of Alfred A. Grant that provision be made for a suitable painting in the State House to portray the recent return of war flags. State House, — painting portraying return of flags.

House petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1769) of Bernard J. Golden, mayor, that the city of Woburn be authorized to borrow money for the purpose of acquiring the capital stock of the Horn Pond Railroad Company; and Woburn, — indebtedness for railroad stock.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1782) of the selectmen of the town of Walpole that said town be authorized to borrow money for constructing and equipping school buildings; Walpole, — indebtedness for school buildings.

Severally, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, in each instance, to the committee on Municipal Finance.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1771) of William A. Kneeland relative to the publication of town by-laws; Town by-laws, — publication.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Towns.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1776) of James H. Wilkins that an annuity be paid to the widow of J. Henry Colburn who was killed while serving in the State Guard; Widow of J. Henry Colburn.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the joint committee on Ways and Means.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Bill to regulate the dimensions of commercial vehicles and motor trucks and their trailers (Senate, No. 547), — was considered; and, pending the amendments previously moved by Messrs. Beck and Knox, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden. Commercial motor-vehicles, — dimensions.

Nomination
papers.

The Senate Report of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 142) of Robert J. Bottomly relative to the time for filing nomination papers for certain candidates for public office, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of Mr. Hobbs.

Cambridge
subway, —
purchase by
Common-
wealth.

The Senate Bill providing for the purchase by the Commonwealth of the Cambridge subway, its appurtenances and connections (Senate, No. 552), — was considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading.

There being no objection, Mr. Counihan withdrew the pending amendment previously moved by him.

On motion of Mr. Gifford, the bill was amended in section 2, by striking out all after the word "borrowed", in lines 31 and 32, and inserting in place thereof the following: "All rents, tolls or other annual compensation received by the Commonwealth for the use of the property acquired as in this act provided, shall be applied to the payment of principal and interest upon said bonds or money borrowed. Any premium received upon the sale of said bonds, as well as the proceeds from any sale of lands or rights therein acquired under the provisions of this act, shall be used for the retirement or purchase of said bonds. The Commonwealth shall be reimbursed by the company for all expenses incidental to the preparation and sale of the aforesaid bonds."; also in section 3, by inserting after the word "made", in line 14, the words "and by four and one-half per cent of the principal sums of all bonds issued for said purchase which shall have been paid and retired, or purchased by the Commonwealth, out of sums received as rental, which increase shall be applied to retiring subsequently maturing bonds as they fall due."

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

Deputy assist-
ant clerks of
courts.

The Senate refused to reject, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, the Senate Bill to provide for the appointment of deputy assistant clerks of courts (printed as House, No. 686); and, under the rule, the bill was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Bill.

The Bill to make certain corrections in the tax laws (House, No. 1764), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

State high-
ways, — pass-
able for motor-
vehicles during
winter.

The Senate Bill to authorize the Massachusetts Highway Commission to keep certain highways on main through routes passable for motor-vehicles during the coming winter months (Senate, No. 14, changed) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by adding the following new section: — "SECTION 4. This act shall take effect only to

the extent that an appropriation for the said purpose is made by the General Court in the current year."

This amendment was adopted.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, as amended, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Beck.

The Senate bills

To establish the salary of the justice of the Boston Juvenile Court (Senate, No. 400); and Senate bills.

To revive the corporation known as the Smith Blair Company (printed as House, No. 1768);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill to provide for precinct voting, limited town-meetings, town-meeting members, a referendum and an annual moderator in the town of Watertown (House, No. 1618), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by inserting before the enacting clause the following preamble: — Watertown, —
town-meetings.

"Whereas, it appears to the General Court that the town of Watertown contains more than twelve thousand inhabitants, and that the majority of the inhabitants of the town, present and voting in a town-meeting, duly warned and holden for the purpose, on the third day of April, nineteen hundred and nineteen, voted to instruct the selectmen of the town to petition the General Court for the enactment of the legislation herein contained, in accordance with Article II of the amendments to the Constitution, therefore"; and in section 2, by inserting after the word "precincts", in line 3, the words "and at the first ensuing annual town election following any precinct revision."

These amendments were adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Weston, at eighteen minutes past three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, June 3, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Communication from the Attorney-General.

The following communication was received from the Attorney-General, to wit: —

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL,
BOSTON, June 2, 1919.

HON. EDWIN T. MCKNIGHT, *President of the Senate.*

Attorney-
General, —
opinion rela-
tive to dimen-
sions of com-
mercial vehicles
and motor
trucks.

DEAR SIR: — I beg to acknowledge the receipt of an order from the Honorable Senate in the following form:

"Ordered, That the Senate request the opinion of the Attorney-General on the question whether exempting from the provisions of Senate Bill No. 547, entitled 'An Act to regulate the dimensions of commercial vehicles and motor trucks and their trailers,' so far as they restrict the height of motor vehicles and their loads, delivery vehicles owned by manufacturers and dealers in boxes or barrels, would render the bill unconstitutional."

Section 1 of the proposed bill is as follows:

"No commercial vehicle, motor truck, or motor-drawn vehicle shall be operated on any way in this commonwealth, as defined in section one of chapter five hundred and thirty-four of the acts of nineteen hundred and nine, and amendments thereof, the outside width of which is more than ninety-six inches, the height of which exceeds thirteen feet, or the extreme over-all length of which exceeds twenty-eight feet; except that such vehicle may be operated exceeding thirteen feet in height when a special permit so to operate is secured from the superintendent of streets, selectmen or local road authorities having charge of the repair and maintenance of highways in the several cities and towns: *provided, however,* that where more than one vehicle or trailer is operated the length of such vehicles may exceed twenty-eight feet, but in no event shall all such vehicles or trailers so drawn or operated exceed eighty feet in length, over all. All of the aforesaid dimensions shall be inclusive of the load."

Section 2 provides for the granting of permits also by the Massachusetts Highway Commission and by the county commissioners, and section 3 establishes a penalty for violation of the act.

I am informed that an amendment has been proposed by which, if it is adopted, an additional section will be added to the bill as follows:

"In so far as it restricts the height of motor vehicles and their loads, this act shall not apply to delivery vehicles owned by manufacturers or dealers in boxes or barrels."

The order of the Senate appears to relate merely to the question whether this amendment will render the bill unconstitutional if enacted with the proposed amendment incorporated therein.

An exemption of special classes of persons from the burden of general police regulations always requires a clear explanation. It is fundamental that there can be no unreasonable or arbitrary distinctions in the application of such a statute. Either it must apply equally to all, or any classification which it attempts must be based upon some reasonable ground connected with the nature and purpose of the regulation or the general public interest. That a regulation may cause special inconvenience to persons in certain kinds of business is not alone a reasonable ground for exempting them. Such exemptions and distinctions must be based upon public interest, not upon private inconvenience.

The purpose of the proposed bill appears to be merely to regulate and limit in the interest of public safety and convenience the dimensions of motor vehicles with their loads which are operated upon the public highways. The bill appears to have no relation to the weight of the vehicle or its load. Presumably manufacturers or dealers in boxes or barrels often have occasion in transporting empty boxes and barrels to carry loads of unusual height over the public highways, but so do manufacturers and dealers in other bulky articles of light weight. This bill, if enacted, will prove as inconvenient to all such manufacturers and dealers as to those especially exempted by the proposed amendment. Furthermore, this amendment completely exempts motor vehicles owned by the manufacturers and dealers specified, whether used in transporting boxes or barrels or any other articles or material. Then, others than manufacturers and dealers in boxes or barrels have occasion to transport them on motor vehicles. A motor truck and its load exceeding thirteen feet in height is precisely as great a danger or inconvenience to the public whether operated by a person of the exempted class or by any other person.

No sound distinction for the classification proposed by this amendment in any way related to the purpose of this bill or the general public interest has been suggested to me, and none occurs to me. I must advise you that the bill would, in my judgment, be unconstitutional if enacted with the proposed amendment incorporated therein on the ground that in that form it would be unreasonable class legislation, and that it would deny to persons operating motor vehicles within the Commonwealth the equal protection of the laws in violation of the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Yours very truly,

HENRY C. ATTWILL.
Attorney-General.

The communication was read and was placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Loring, it was ordered to be printed (see Senate, No. 572).

Reports of Committees.

Middlesex
County, —
messenger of
courts of pro-
bate and
insolvency.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill to increase the salary of the messenger of the courts of probate and insolvency for the county of Middlesex (House, No. 513), ought to pass;

General Court,
— doorkeepers,
postmaster and
messengers.

By Mr. McLane, for the same committee, that the House Bill to fix the salaries of the doorkeepers, assistant doorkeepers, postmaster and messengers of the General Court (House, No. 1754), ought to pass; and

County
treasurers.

By Mr. Churchill, for the same committee, that the House Bill to establish the salaries of county treasurers in certain counties (House, No. 1712, amended), ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Frank
McDonald.

By Mr. Smith, for the same committee, that the Senate Resolve providing for compensating Frank McDonald for injuries received while an inmate of the Worcester State Hospital (printed as House, No. 1289, changed), ought not to pass;

Read, and the resolve placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on rejecting it.

Reading, —
interest on
sewer securities.

By Mr. Halliwell, for the committee on Municipal Finance, on the petition of the sewer commissioners of the said town, a Bill relative to the rate of interest on certain sewer securities of the town of Reading (Senate, No. 553, — changed by the committee in section 1, by striking out all after the word "determine", in line 7) (Messrs. Newhall of Lynn and Bradbury of Lawrence, of the House, dissenting);

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Soldiers and
sailors, —
recognition
for services.

A Bill to provide suitable recognition for the services of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the army and navy of the United States during the war with Germany (House, No. 1803, — new draft of Senate Bill No. 404 and of House Bill No. 1384; and based also on the petition of Peter F. Sullivan, accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 284; and on the petition of John Mitchell, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1120), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Worcester, —
indebtedness
for a bridge
over Lake
Quinsigamond.

A Bill relative to the borrowing of money by the city of Worcester for the construction of a bridge over part of Lake Quinsigamond (House, No. 1738, on the petition of the mayor and city solicitor of said city), — was read. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Hobbs, and the bill was read a second time and a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

A Bill to regulate appropriations by the school-committee of the city of Boston (House, No. 1783, amended, — on the petition of Michael H. Sullivan, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1499), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Boston school-committee, — appropriations.

A Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the Board of Commissioners for the Promotion of Uniformity of Legislation in the United States (House, No. 426) as was considered by the committee (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 427 to 430, inclusive), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Uniformity of legislation in the United States.

A communication from the Sergeant-at-Arms, transmitting a statement (required by the 3rd joint rule) of all bills presented to the Auditor of the Commonwealth during the month of May for the travelling expenses of committees of the General Court (House, No. 1806), — was read and placed on file.

Legislative committees, — travelling expenses.

A special report of the Massachusetts Highway Commission and the Metropolitan Park Commission relative to the cost of constructing that portion of the proposed Pilgrim Highway running from Atlantic in the city of Quincy to the Fore River bridge (House, No. 1840), — was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Pilgrim Highway, — cost of construction from Atlantic to the Fore River bridge.

The following House order (based, in part, on the petition of William Plattner, accompanied by bill, House, No. 990; the petition of James E. Odlin and others, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1119; the petition of Edward F. Harrington, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1121; the petition of Roland D. Sawyer, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1122; the petition of Matthew A. Higgins, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1245; and the petition of Alvin E. Bliss, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1273), — was adopted, in concurrence: —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation be and is hereby directed to consider forthwith the matter of raising additional revenue necessary to meet the principal and interest of the bonds the issue of which is authorized by the House Bill to provide suitable recognition for the service of certain residents of Massachusetts in the army and navy of the United States during the German war (House, No. 1760).

Committee on Taxation, — revenue to meet bonds for recognising service of soldiers and sailors.

Said committee shall determine all questions relative to the method of raising said revenue, the sort of taxes which should be assessed and the relative amounts to be raised by each tax, duty or excise.

Said committee shall also consider the practicability of changing the method of collection of the civilian war poll-tax and the usual poll-tax now in force, as provided in said bill, and shall consider especially the method of collection at the source.

Said committee shall also consider the practicability of adopting new methods for making certain that the taxes provided in said bill and in any bill which they report shall be collected with-

out loss, either by the publication of lists of delinquent taxpayers or the imposition of a fine or other penalty for failure to pay the same.

Said committee shall report upon all these matters and such other matters as they deem incident to this investigation as soon as possible, with drafts of bills to carry out its recommendations.

Emergency Preamble Adopted.

Public recreation, — playgrounds and physical education.

An engrossed Bill relative to the powers of cities and towns in respect to public recreation, playgrounds and physical education (see House, No. 1742, amended), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article 48 of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Callahan, Edward
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 27.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.

Messrs. Dahlborg, Edward N.
Gifford, Charles L.
Knox, Joseph O.
McIntosh, David S.
Smith, Charles S.
Winchester, Charles A. — 12.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

To require mirrors and reflectors on certain motor-vehicles, and to regulate the use of spot-lights on motor-vehicles;

To establish the salary of John R. Campbell, assistant clerk of the Superior Court for criminal business for the county of Suffolk;

Relative to the Boston Chamber of Commerce;

To establish the salaries of the porters at the State House;

Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

Relative to the authority of the board of aldermen of the city of Waltham;

Relative to the compensation of medical examiners in the county of Suffolk;

Relative to the registration of motor-vehicles owned and operated by dealers;

To establish the salaries of the turnkeys and watchmen in the State Prison and the Massachusetts Reformatory; and

To establish the compensation of the members of the General Court.

The following engrossed resolves (all of which originated in the House) were severally passed and, with the above-named bills, were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit:—

Granting annuities to Samantha Talbot and Delia Dailey of Agawam; Resolves passed, etc.

Providing for an investigation by the State Department of Health as to the pollution of the Taunton River and its tributaries; and

Providing for an investigation by the Board of Education relative to the purchase of land for the use of the State Normal School at Lowell.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 792) of Frank H. Cowin that the finance commission of the city of Boston be abolished or reorganized, — was considered; and, pending the amendment previously moved by Mr. Mahoney, and pending the main question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Friday, on motion of Mr. Mahoney. Boston, — abolition of the finance commission.

The House Bill relative to sales at auction of personal property (printed as Senate, No. 458), — was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Personal property, — sales at auction.

The Senate Bill to authorize the Massachusetts Highway Commission to keep certain highways on main through routes passable for motor-vehicles during the coming winter months (Senate, No. 14, changed), — was considered, as previously amended, the question being on passing it to be engrossed. State highways, — passable for motor-vehicles during winter.

On motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, the bill was further amended by adding the following new section: "SECTION 5. All expenditures hereunder shall be taken from fees received for the use and operation of motor-vehicles."

The bill, as amended (see Senate, No. 573) was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The engrossed Bill relative to appointments and promotions in the police forces of cities and towns (see Senate, No. 509, amended), — was further reconsidered; and, pending the question on passing the bill, the objections of His Excellency the Governor Veto, — police forces, — appointments and promotions.

to the contrary notwithstanding, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Sullivan.

Bills.

The bills

To establish Mount Grace as a State Forest (printed as House, No. 177, changed);

Relative to sight-saving classes for children (House, No. 1144, amended);

Relative to the fees of medical examiners and associate medical examiners in counties other than the county of Suffolk (House, No. 1729);

To provide further for the improvement and protection by the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands of rivers, harbors, tidewaters and foreshores (House, No. 1743);

To establish the salary of the physician and surgeon at the State Prison (House, No. 1755).

To authorize the trustees of the Norfolk County Agricultural School to take certain land and construct certain buildings (House, No. 1761);

To provide for the granting of certificates of honor to citizens of Massachusetts who served on the Mexican border (House, No. 1763); and

To establish the Tewksbury Fire and Water District (House, No. 1772); and

The resolves

Resolves.

Authorizing the payment of an annuity to Bertha M. Guenther of Dracut (House, No. 1744); and

In favor of Marian C. Burrows, widow of Charles T. Burrows (House, No. 1762);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Deputy assistant clerks of courts.

The Senate Bill to provide for the appointment of deputy-assistant clerks of courts (printed as House, No. 686), — was read a second time and was amended, on motion of Mr. Churchill, by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

“The clerks of the courts of the several counties may designate such employee or employees of their offices as in their judgment may be necessary for the convenience of the public, as deputy assistant clerks of the courts, who shall have the same authority to administer oaths as that of assistant clerks of the courts.”

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

Attorneys at law, — removal.

The Bill relative to the removal of attorneys at law (House, No. 1668), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. McLane, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday.

Cambridge subway, — purchase by Commonwealth.

The Senate Bill providing for the purchase by the Commonwealth of the Cambridge Subway, its appurtenances and connections (Senate, No. 552), — was read a third time, as previously amended. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be further

amended in section 3, by striking out, in line 11, the word "payments", and inserting in place thereof the word "obligations".

This amendment was adopted.

Mr. Counihan moved that the bill be amended as follows:

In section 2, by inserting after the word "installments", in line 11, the words "and the cost of alterations, additions and improvements under section five";

By adding at the end of section 5, the words "The Public Service Commission, with the consent of the company, may make such alterations, additions or improvements in the aforesaid property, after its conveyance to the Commonwealth, as said commission may deem necessary or advisable."; and

By adding the following new section: — "SECTION 11. Upon the acquisition by the Commonwealth of the said subway, the Public Service Commission shall investigate the expediency and cost of removing the surface structures in Harvard Square, in the city of Cambridge, used in conjunction therewith, and of providing suitable entrances and exists for use in connection therewith, the same to be placed under the sidewalks or on private property, and shall report thereon to the next General Court."

Mr. Kearney moved that the bill be amended in section 5, by inserting after the word "may", in line 1, the words ", after a public hearing,"; and in section 10, by inserting after the word "shall", in line 1, the words ", after a public hearing,".

Mr. Tarbell moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until the following Thursday; and this motion was negatived, by a vote of 5 to 16.

The amendments in sections 2 and 5, moved by Mr. Counihan, were severally rejected.

The amendment, moved by the same Senator, — adding a new section to be numbered 11, — was rejected, by a vote of 11 to 13.

The amendments moved by Mr. Kearney were rejected.

Mr. Kearney moved that the question on passing the bill to be engrossed be taken by a call of the yeas and nays; and, 5 Senators (less than one-fifth of the members present) voting in the affirmative, the Senate refused so to direct.

By a vote of 21 to 7, the bill as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Mr. Tarbell moved that the latter vote be verified by a call of the yeas and nays. The Chair (Mr. Prescott) stated that, as the Senate had already refused to order the yeas and nays, the motion was not in order.

Mr. Reed rose to a point of order, which, being stated, was that the motion should then be entertained. Point of order.

The Chair (Mr. Prescott) ruled that the point was not well taken. Ruling by Chair.

The bill, as amended, was sent down for concurrence.

The following Senate Order was rejected, as had been recommended by the committee on Rules, to wit: —

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Health be directed to investigate forthwith into the subject-matter of House Bill No. Great ponds, — investigation relative

to boating
and fishing.

1734, relative to boating and fishing in great ponds, and to advise the Senate whether, to what extent, and in what respects the public health may be jeopardized by its passage. The Commissioner of Health shall submit his report on or before the sixth day of June in the current year.

House reports.

The House reports

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the recommendations of the Insurance Commissioner (House, No. 362) as relates to the liability of insurance companies for the acts or knowledge of their agents (accompanied by bill, House, No. 388);

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the recommendations of the Board of Commissioners for the Promotion of Uniformity of Legislation in the United States (House, No. 426) as relates to fraudulent conveyances and to make uniform the law relating thereto (accompanied by bill, House, No. 430);

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 767) of William Sumner Appleton that provision be made for the preservation of ancient landmarks and the like; and

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1067) of J. Weston Allen relative to the printing and distribution of the laws passed by the General Court;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Tarbell, at seven minutes before four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, June 4, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate resolves

To provide for an investigation by a special commission of the question of training disabled soldiers and sailors and of related matters (Senate, No. 375); and

Disabled soldiers and sailors, — training.

To provide for an investigation by the Industrial Accident Board relative to the availability for injured industrial workers of newly developed appliances and services provided for injured soldiers (Senate, No. 570); and

Injured employees, — use of appliances and services provided for injured soldiers.

The House bills

To provide for the completion by the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board of the Wellesley extension of the south metropolitan sewerage system (House, No. 1727);

Wellesley, — extension of south metropolitan sewer.

Increasing the amounts allowed for clerical assistance to the registers of probate and insolvency for certain counties (House, No. 1759);

Registers of probate and insolvency, — clerical assistance.

To regulate the salaries of the officers and employees of the Reformatory for Women (House, No. 1777); and

Reformatory for Women, — salaries.

To regulate the salaries of the clerk at the State Prison and the clerk at the Massachusetts Reformatory (House, No. 1778), — severally, ought to pass; and

State Prison and Massachusetts Reformatory, — salaries of clerks.

By Mr. McLane, for the same committee, that the House Bill to provide for a poultry plant, a hothouse and other improvements at the Bristol County Agricultural School (House, No. 580, amended), ought to pass;

Bristol County Agricultural School, — improvements.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Churchill, for the same committee, that the Senate Resolve providing for the erection of a dormitory for women at the Massachusetts Agricultural College (printed as House, No. 1277), ought NOT to pass, for the reason that the subject-matter thereof has been included in a bill previously reported;

Massachusetts Agricultural College, — dormitory for women.

Read, and the resolve placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on rejecting it.

By Mr. Gifford, for the same committee, that the House Resolve to provide for an investigation by a special commission relative to additional assistance for blind persons (House, No. 1610), ought to pass in a new draft entitled "Resolve to provide for temporary relief of the needy blind and for an investigation by a special commission relative to additional assistance for blind persons (Senate, No. 579);

Needy blind, — assistance.

Children retarded in mental development, — instruction.

By Mr. Chamberlain, for the committee on Education, on the report of the special recess commission on Education (Senate, No. 330) (in part, see Senate, No. 395), a Bill to determine the number of children retarded in mental development and to provide for their instruction (Senate, No. 576);

Adults, — instruction in English language.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the report of the special recess commission on Education (Senate, No. 330) (in part, see Senate, No. 396); and on the petitions of Seth K. Humphrey and another (accompanied by bill, House, No. 154); and of the superintendent of schools of the city of Holyoke (accompanied by bill, House, No. 251), a Bill to provide for the instruction of adults in the English language (Senate, No. 577);

Shrewsbury, — purchase of land from Worcester.

By Mr. Tarbell, for the committee on Towns, on the petition of Raymond B. Fletcher, a Bill to authorize the town of Shrewsbury to purchase certain land in fee from the city of Worcester for the purpose of erecting a school-house thereon (Senate, No. 539); and

Mashpee, — trust funds.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the petition of Charles L. Gifford (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 535), a Bill to permit the selectmen of the town of Mashpee to expend certain trust funds (Senate, No. 578);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

School children, — health and physical development.

By Mr. Churchill, for the committee on Education, on the petition of John J. Mahoney (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 42); and in part on the report of the special recess commission on Education (Senate, No. 330) (see Senate, No. 348), a Bill to promote the health and physical development of school children (Senate, No. 574); and

State Attendance Officer.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the report of the special recess commission on Education (Senate, No. 330) (in part, see Senate, No. 350), a Bill authorizing the employment of a State Attendance Officer (Senate, No. 575) (Mr. Hull, of the House, dissenting);

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Taken from the Table.

Grand jury.

On motion of Mr. Cavanagh, the House reports
Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 102) of Joseph C. Pelletier for an amendment of the law regarding the grand jury; and

Savings banks, — foreclosure of mortgages.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 563) of Raymond P. Delano and another that foreclosure of mortgages by savings banks be restricted for a limited time;

Were severally taken from the table; and the reports were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Civil service laws, — changes.

On motion of Mr. Hastings, the Senate Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition

(accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 64) of Frederick S. Deitrick and others for changes in the civil service laws, — was taken from the table; and the report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, the Senate Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 117) of William G. Bassett and others for a temporary increase in the compensation of clerks in the office of the several registers of probate, — was taken from the table; and the report was accepted.

Registers of probate, — compensation of clerks.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Finkel, the House Bill to amend the laws relating to soldiers' relief (House, No. 650), — was taken from the table and considered, the question being on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence; and it was rejected, as had been recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Soldiers' relief.

On motion of Mr. McLane, the House Report of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 145) of James D. Henderson for the incorporation and organization of life insurance companies under general laws, — was taken from the table; and the report was accepted, in concurrence.

Life insurance companies, — incorporation under general laws.

On motion of Mr. Cavanagh, the Senate Bill relative to the maximum compensation for partial incapacity (Senate, No. 531), — was then taken from the table and considered, the question being on passing the bill to be engrossed; and it was rejected, as had been recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Injured employees, — maximum compensation for partial incapacity.

On motion of Mr. Finkel, the communication from the Attorney-General relative to the price of gas which may be charged by gas companies (Senate, No. 561), — was taken from the table; and the communication was placed on file.

Communication from Attorney-General, — charges for price of gas.

Order Adopted.

Mr. Beck offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —

Ordered, That the time within which the following joint committees are required, under the provisions of the 10th joint rule, to make final report upon all matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended to Wednesday, June 11, to wit: —

Joint committees, — reports.

Administration and Commissions, Education, Judiciary, Legal Affairs, Street Railways, Taxation and Ways and Means.

Subsequently, the same Senator, for the joint committee on Rules, reported that the order ought to be adopted; and it was considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, further moved by Mr. Beck, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

County
employees and
Boston court
officers, —
compensation.

A Bill relative to the compensation of certain employees of the counties of the Commonwealth and of the court officers of the municipal court of the city of Boston (House, No. 1813, — on the special report of the Supervisor of Administration, House, No. 1451, in part); and

Resolves

Barnstable
County, — tax.

Granting a county tax for the county of Barnstable (House, No. 1790, — on the annual report of the Controller of County Accounts submitting estimates and expenditures, House, No. 1347, in part);

Berkshire
County, — tax.

Granting a county tax for the county of Berkshire (House, No. 1791, — on the annual report of the Controller of County Accounts submitting estimates and expenditures, House, No. 1347, in part);

Bristol
County, — tax.

Granting a county tax for the county of Bristol (House, No. 1792, — on the annual report of the Controller of County Accounts submitting estimates and expenditures, House, No. 1347, in part);

Dukes
County, — tax.

Granting a county tax for the county of Dukes County (House, No. 1793, — on the annual report of the Controller of County Accounts submitting estimates and expenditures, House, No. 1347, in part);

Essex
County, — tax.

Granting a county tax for the county of Essex (House, No. 1794, — on the annual report of the Controller of County Accounts submitting estimates and expenditures, House, No. 1347, in part);

Franklin
County, — tax.

Granting a county tax for the county of Franklin (House, No. 1795, — on the annual report of the Controller of County Accounts submitting estimates and expenditures, House, No. 1347, in part);

Hampden
County, — tax.

Granting a county tax for the county of Hampden (House, No. 1796, — on the annual report of the Controller of County Accounts submitting estimates and expenditures, House, No. 1347, in part);

Hampshire
County, — tax.

Granting a county tax for the county of Hampshire (House, No. 1797, — on the annual report of the Controller of County Accounts submitting estimates and expenditures, House, No. 1347, in part);

Middlesex
County, — tax.

Granting a county tax for the county of Middlesex (House, No. 1798, — on the annual report of the Controller of County Accounts submitting estimates and expenditures, House, No. 1347, in part);

Norfolk
County, — tax.

Granting a county tax for the county of Norfolk (House, No. 1799, — on the annual report of the Controller of County Accounts submitting estimates and expenditures, House, No. 1347, in part);

Plymouth
County, — tax.

Granting a county tax for the county of Plymouth (House, No. 1800, — on the annual report of the Controller of County Accounts submitting estimates and expenditures, House, No. 1347, in part); and

Granting a county tax for the county of Worcester (House, No. 1801, — on the annual report of the Controller of County Accounts submitting estimates and expenditures, House, No. 1347, in part);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

A Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 117) of Charles W. Gould relative to conditional sales of personal property, — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Worcester
County, — tax.

Personal
property, —
conditional
sales.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

To authorize the town of Huntington to fund certain indebtedness; and

Relative to the borrowing of money by the city of Worcester for the construction of a bridge over part of Lake Quinsigamond.

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The engrossed Bill relative to appointments and promotions in the police forces of cities and towns (see Senate, No. 509, amended), — was further reconsidered; and the question on passing the bill, the objections of His Excellency the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as provided by the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

Veto, — police
forces, — ap-
pointments
and promo-
tions.

YEAS. — 0.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 32.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
 Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
 Curtin, John A.
 Dahlborg, Edward N.

Messrs. McIntosh, David S.
 Sullivan, Peter F.
 Winchester, Charles A. — 7.

So the bill failed to pass, two-thirds of the Senate not having agreed to pass the same.

Reading, —
 interest on
 sewer securities.

The Senate Bill relative to the rate of interest on certain sewer securities of the town of Reading (Senate, No. 553, changed), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Eames, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Middlesex
 County, —
 messenger of
 courts of pro-
 bate and
 insolvency.

The Bill to increase the salary of the messenger of the courts of probate and insolvency for the county of Middlesex (House, No. 513), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Weston, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session.

Boston school-
 committee, —
 appropriations.

The House Bill to regulate appropriations by the school committee of the city of Boston (House, No. 1783, amended), — was read a second time.

Mr. Nichols moved that the bill be amended by striking out section 13 and inserting in place thereof the following new section: "SECTION 13. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the mayor, the city council, and the school-committee of the city of Boston; and the mayor, the city council, and the school-committee may accept this act in whole or in part, and to such extent as they deem advisable, and may accept such parts only as they deem advisable of the increases over the existing appropriating power of the school-committee permitted under subdivisions (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h) and (i) of section one, and may further accept some sections and reject other sections; provided that the existing tax limit of the city of Boston and the existing appropriating power of the school-committee as established by law prior to the passage of this act shall not be diminished."

Pending this amendment and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on further motion of the same Senator.

Bills.

The bills

To establish the salaries of county treasurers in certain counties (House, No. 1712, amended); and

To fix the salaries of the doorkeepers, assistant doorkeepers, postmaster and messengers of the General Court (House, No. 1754);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Resolve providing for compensating Frank McDonald for injuries received while an inmate of the Worcester State Hospital (printed as House, No. 1289, changed), — was considered; and, pending the question on rejecting the resolve, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Halliwell.

Frank
McDonald.

The Senate Bill to provide for the appointment of deputy assistant clerks of courts (printed as House, No. 686), — was read a third time, as previously amended.

Deputy assist-
ant clerks of
courts.

On motion of Mr. Nichols, the bill was further amended by inserting after the word "counties" (in the words inserted by amendment), the words ", excepting the county of Suffolk,".

The bill, as amended (see Senate, No. 580), was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill relative to interest on unpaid taxes (House, No. 1697), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following: —

Unpaid taxes,
— interest.

"If any tax remains unpaid for more than three months after the date from which interest thereon is to be computed under the provisions of section seventy-one of Part I of chapter four hundred and ninety of the Acts of nineteen hundred and nine, as amended by section one of chapter six hundred and eighty-eight of the Acts of nineteen hundred and thirteen and section one of chapter one hundred and ninety of the General Acts of nineteen hundred and eighteen, interest on such tax shall be computed at six per cent per annum for three months from the date when such tax is payable, and thereafter until the tax is paid at eight per cent per annum."

This amendment was adopted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended, was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment.

The House Bill to authorize the trustees of the Norfolk County Agricultural School to acquire land and construct certain buildings (House, No. 1761) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by inserting after section 2 the following new section: — "SECTION 3. All takings by right of eminent domain hereunder, and the award of compensation therefor, shall be made in the manner prescribed by law in respect to takings for highway purposes."

Norfolk
County Agri-
cultural
School, —
taking of land.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

The House bills

Relative to sight-saving classes for children (House, No. 1144, House bill amended);

House bills.

Relative to the fees of medical examiners and associate medical examiners in counties other than the county of Suffolk (House, No. 1729);

To provide further for the improvement and protection by the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands of rivers, harbors, tidewaters and foreshores (House, No. 1743);

To establish the salary of the present physician and surgeon at the State Prison (House, No. 1755) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

To provide for the granting of certificates of honor to citizens of Massachusetts who served on the Mexican border (House, No. 1763); and

To establish the Tewksbury Fire and Water District (House, No. 1772); and

The House resolves

House resolves.

Authorizing the payment of an annuity to Bertha M. Guenther of Dracut (House, No. 1744); and

In favor of Marian C. Burrows, widow of Charles T. Burrows (House, No. 1762);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

House report.

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the Board of Commissioners for the Promotion of Uniformity of Legislation in the United States (House, No. 426) as was considered by the committee (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 427 to 430, inclusive), — was accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. McIntosh, at three minutes past three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, June 5, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. McLane, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate resolves

To reimburse the Westfield Camping Club for the construction of a fish screen (Senate, No. 73); and

Reimbursing Ralph S. Bauer for money expended in installing a screen at Lake Attitash, Amesbury (Senate, No. 144); and

The House resolves

Granting a county tax for the county of Barnstable (House, No. 1790);

Granting a county tax for the county of Berkshire (House, No. 1791);

Granting a county tax for the county of Bristol (House, No. 1792);

Granting a county tax for the county of Dukes County (House, No. 1793);

Granting a county tax for the county of Essex (House, No. 1794);

Granting a county tax for the county of Franklin (House, No. 1795);

Granting a county tax for the county of Hampden (House, No. 1796);

Granting a county tax for the county of Hampshire (House, No. 1797);

Granting a county tax for the county of Middlesex (House, No. 1798);

Granting a county tax for the county of Plymouth (House, No. 1800); and

Granting a county tax for the county of Worcester (House, No. 1801), — severally, ought to pass; and

By Mr. Curran, for the same committee, that the Senate bills

Relative to the salaries of the second assistant clerks of police, district and municipal courts (Senate, No. 206, changed); and

To increase the salary of the messenger of the municipal court of the city of Boston (printed as House, No. 815, changed), — severally, ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. McLane, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to establish the salaries of registers of deeds and assistant recorders of the Land Court, and assistant registers of deeds (Senate, No. 478), ought to pass with an amendment in section

Westfield
Camping
Club.

Ralph S.
Bauer.

Barnstable
County, — tax.

Berkshire
County, — tax.

Bristol
County, — tax.

Dukes
County, — tax.

Essex
County, — tax.

Franklin
County, — tax.

Hampden
County, — tax.

Hampshire
County, — tax.

Middlesex
County, — tax.

Plymouth
County, — tax.

Worcester
County, — tax.

Police, district
and municipal
courts, —
second assistant
clerks.

Boston, —
messenger of
municipal
court.

Registers of
deeds and
assistant
recorders of
Land Court.

1, striking out lines 6 to 14, inclusive, and inserting in place thereof the following:

"Districts under 75,000 population, salary of register and assistant recorder, \$2,200.

Districts of 75,000 population, salary of register and assistant recorder, \$2,300.

Districts of 100,000 population, salary of register and assistant recorder, \$2,400.

Districts of 125,000 population, salary of register and assistant recorder, \$2,500.

Districts of 150,000 population, salary of register and assistant recorder, \$2,600.

Districts of 200,000 population, salary of register and assistant recorder, \$2,700.

Districts of 250,000 population, salary of register and assistant recorder, \$2,800.

Districts of 300,000 population, salary of register and assistant recorder, \$2,900.

Districts over 350,000 population, salary of register and assistant recorder, \$3,000."

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading, with the amendment pending.

Norfolk
County, — tax.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the House Resolve granting a county tax for the county of Norfolk (House, No. 1799), ought to pass with an amendment striking out, in lines 49 and 50, the words "ninety-seven thousand four hundred one dollars and eighty-five cents", and inserting in place thereof the words "forty thousand dollars";

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading, with the amendment pending.

Merrimack
River, —
fishways at
Lawrence
and Lowell.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to provide for the construction of fishways on the Merrimack River at Lawrence and Lowell (Senate, No. 181), ought NOT to pass;

Read, and the bill placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on rejecting it.

Soldiers,
sailors and
marines, —
preferences in
public em-
ployment.

By Mr. Loring, for the committee on Reconstruction, on the communication from the Soldiers' and Sailors' Commission (Senate, No. 557), a Bill giving certain preferences in public employment to soldiers, sailors and marines (Senate, No. 581);

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Report of a Committee on a Proposal for a Legislative Amendment of the Constitution.

Legislative
Constitutional
amendment, —
classification
of property
for purposes
of taxation.

Mr. Nichols, for the committee on Taxation, on the recommendations of the Special Recess Committee on Taxation (Senate, No. 313), reported thereon, in part, that the committee had authorized its chairmen to introduce into their respective branches of the General Court a proposal for a legislative

amendment to the Constitution authorizing the General Court to classify property for purposes of taxation (Senate, No. 583).

Read and placed on file, in accordance with the requirements of Joint Rule No. 23.

Petition.

Mr. McLane presented a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 582) of Walter E. McLane that the Sergeant-at-Arms be authorized to employ additional watchmen at the State House; and the petition was referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. Beck, to the joint committee on Ways and Means.

State House,
— additional
watchmen.

Sent down for concurrence.

Orders Laid Over.

Mr. Nichols offered the following order; and, at the request of Mr. Beck, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, to wit: —

Ordered, That the Senate hereby calls for a joint session of the Senate and House of Representatives, conformably to the provisions of Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution, for the purpose of considering a proposal for a legislative amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth authorizing the General Court to classify property for purposes of taxation.

Joint session
of Senate and
House, —
constitutional
amendment;
classification of
property for
purposes of
taxation.

Mr. Prescott offered the following order; and, at the request of Mr. Beck, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, to wit: —

Ordered, That the Senate hereby calls for a joint session of the Senate and House of Representatives, conformably to the provisions of Article XLVIII of the Amendments to the Constitution, for the purpose of considering a proposal for a legislative amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth, further exempting acts and resolves from the referendum provisions, and for perfecting and elucidating the provisions of the Constitution relating to the initiative and referendum, duly submitted to the current session of the General Court, on the petition of Francis Prescott, with accompanying resolve (Senate, No. 96).

Joint session
of Senate and
House, —
constitutional
amendment;
exempting
acts and
resolves from
referendum.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Authorizing the county of Suffolk to pay an annuity to the widow of Robert Herter (printed as Senate, No. 517, on the petition of Leland Powers and others);

Suffolk
County, —
widow of
Robert Herter.

Relative to payment for the clerical work of the trial justice in the city of Methuen (House, No. 1807, — new draft of Senate Bill printed as House, No. 510, changed);

Methuen
trial justice, —
clerical work.

To authorize the State Department of Agriculture to establish demonstration sheep farms (House, No. 1809, — on the report of the special commission on the sheep industry, etc., Senate, No. 293, in part); and

Demonstration
sheep farms.

Bureau of
Prisons, —
salaries of
agents.

Relative to the salaries of agents of the Massachusetts Bureau of Prisons (House, No. 1811, — on the petition of George E. Marchand, accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 213; and on the petition of John R. Hudson, accompanied by bill, House, No. 687); and

Resolves

Taxes paid
under mistake
of law or fact,
— repayment.

Providing for a special commission to investigate the matter of taxes paid to the Commonwealth under mistake of law or fact (House, No. 1808, — new draft of Senate Resolve No. 343, and of bill, House, No. 552, taken from the House files; and based also on the petition of Ella M. Foye, accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 19; the petition of George F. Morse, Jr., accompanied by resolve, House, No. 712; the petition of Willis N. Scott and another, accompanied by bill, House, No. 720; the petition of George C. Coit, accompanied by resolve, House, No. 837; the petitions of Fred J. Burrell, accompanied by resolves, House, Nos. 1010 and 1011; and the petition of Bertha F. Fitzgerald, accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1013; and

Boston, —
bridge or
traffic tunnel
to East
Boston.

Providing for an investigation as to the feasibility of constructing a bridge or a traffic tunnel connecting Boston and East Boston (House, No. 1812, — on the petition of John B. Cashman, accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1082; and the petition of William H. Hearn, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1083);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Norton,
Taunton and
Attleboro
Street
Railway.

A Bill to authorize the cities of Taunton and Attleboro and the towns of Norton and Mansfield to acquire and operate the Norton, Taunton and Attleboro Street Railway (House, No. 1817, — new draft of Senate Bill No. 521), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

State Guard,
— disposition
of uniforms, —
committee
of conference.

The Senate Bill relative to the disposition of the uniforms used by the State Guard (Senate, No. 514, amended), — came up, with the endorsement that the House had insisted on its amendment, and had concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches; and that Messrs. Beardsley of Boston, Hartshorn of Gardner and Symonds of Lynn, had been joined.

Message from
Governor, —
compensating
public officials
for loss by
bomb
explosions.

A message from His Excellency the Governor recommending that certain public officials be compensated for damage to their residences caused by the explosion of bombs (House, No. 1820), — was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on Ways and Means.

Veto, —
salaries of the
pages of the
General Court.

Notice was received from the House that the engrossed Bill to fix the compensation of pages in the employ of the Sergeant-at-Arms (see House, No. 1676, amended), having been returned by His Excellency the Governor with his objections thereto in writing (House, No. 1805), had failed to pass;

That the engrossed Bill to establish the salary of the chief engineer at the State House (see House, No. 1701), having been returned by His Excellency the Governor with his objections thereto in writing (House, No. 1804), had failed to pass;

Veto, — salary of the chief engineer at the State House.

That the Senate Bill to develop the natural resources of the Commonwealth, to stimulate food production, and to provide agricultural opportunities for soldiers and sailors (Senate, No. 371, amended), had been referred, by the House, to the next General Court;

Natural resources and food production, — opportunities for soldiers and sailors.

Also that the following Senate bills and resolve had severally been rejected by the House: —

Bill to authorize the Secretary of the Commonwealth to appoint an additional clerk to index and classify historical manuscripts (Senate, No. 477);

Secretary of the Commonwealth, — indexing of historical manuscripts.

Bill further safeguarding the rights of persons now or lately in the war service of the United States (Senate, No. 548); and

Soldiers and sailors, — safeguarding of rights.

Resolve to provide for refunding a sum of money to the Boston and Maine Railroad paid by it to the Commonwealth through error (Senate, No. 361, amended).

Boston and Maine Railroad, — refund.

Engrossed Bill Amended by the House.

An engrossed Bill to permit absent voters to vote at State elections (which originated in the Senate) (see Senate, No. 326, amended), — came up, amended as follows: — By striking out sections 11 and 12; and by adding the following new section: "SECTION 29. This act shall take effect on the first day of January, nineteen hundred and twenty."

State elections, — absent voting.

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Hobbs, and the amendments were considered forthwith.

On further motion of the same Senator, Senate Rule No. 49 was suspended. The Senate then non-concurred in the adoption of the amendments and, on motion of Mr. Hobbs, asked for a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches. Messrs Loring, Hobbs and Knox were appointed the committee on its part.

Committee of conference.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

To provide for the appointment of an additional second assistant district attorney for the northern district and of an assistant district attorney for the western district;

Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

To provide for additional clerical assistance in the police court of Lowell;

To provide for placing on main highways sign-posts indicating the boundaries of cities and towns;

Relative to the powers of cities and towns in respect to public recreation, playgrounds and physical education;

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To provide for protecting bridges on certain roads from damage caused by loaded vehicles weighing more than six tons;

Relative to the letting out and construction by the county of Essex of a highway between the town of Rockport and the city of Gloucester; and

To authorize a petition to be brought by James H. Burke under the act relative to the removal, suspension and reduction of persons in the classified civil service.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Commercial
motor-
vehicles. —
dimensions.

The Senate Bill to regulate the dimensions of commercial vehicles and motor trucks and their trailers (Senate, No. 547), — was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

There being no objection, Mr. Beck withdrew the pending amendment previously moved by him.

The withdrawal of the foregoing amendment precluded the putting of the pending amendment previously moved by Mr. Knox.

On motion of Mr. Beck, the bill was amended in section 1, by striking out, in lines 7 and 8, the words "the height of which exceeds thirteen feet,"; and by striking out, in line 11, the words "thirteen feet in height", and inserting in place thereof the words "twenty-eight feet".

On motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, the bill was further amended in section 1, by striking out, in line 20, the word "eighty", and inserting in place thereof the word "sixty-five".

On motion of Mr. Hardy of Worcester, the bill was further amended in section 1, by inserting after the word "which", in line 7, the words "when loaded".

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Nomination
papers.

The Senate Report of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 142) of Robert J. Bottomly relative to the time for filing nomination papers for certain candidates for public office, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Beck.

Unpaid taxes,
— interest.

The House Bill relative to interest on unpaid taxes (House, No. 1697), — was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment previously adopted by the Senate.

Mr. Colburn moved that the bill be amended by striking out from the words inserted by amendment by the Senate the words "three months", after the words "for more than" and after the words "per annum for", and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the words "one year"; and these amendments were rejected.

The bill, as previously amended, was then rejected.

The House Bill to regulate the use of aircraft (House, No. 1716), — was considered; and pending the recurring question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments previously adopted by the Senate, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of Mr. Beck. Aircraft.

The House Bill relative to the removal of attorneys at law (House, No. 1668), — was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 19 to 5. Subsequently, the rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator. Attorneys at law, — removal.

The House Bill to increase the salary of the messenger of the courts of probate and insolvency for the county of Middlesex (House, No. 513), — was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 16 to 8. Subsequently, the rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator. Middlesex County, — messenger of courts of probate and insolvency.

The House Bill to regulate appropriations by the school-committee of the city of Boston (House, No. 1783, amended), — was considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading. Boston school-committee, — appropriations.

The Senate rejected the pending amendment previously moved by Mr. Nichols, — striking out section 13 and inserting in place thereof the following new section: "SECTION 13. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the mayor, the city council, and the school-committee of the city of Boston; and the mayor, the city council, and the school-committee may accept this act in whole or in part, and to such extent as they deem advisable, and may accept such parts only as they deem advisable of the increases over the existing appropriating power of the school-committee permitted under subdivisions (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h) and (i) of section one, and may further accept some sections and reject other sections; provided that the existing tax limit of the city of Boston and the existing appropriating power of the school-committee as established by law prior to the passage of this act shall not be diminished."

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Resolve providing for compensating Frank McDonald for injuries received while an inmate of the Worcester State Hospital (printed as House, No. 1289, changed), — was rejected, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means. Frank McDonald.

The engrossed Bill relative to the inspection force of the State Board of Labor and Industries (see House, No. 1756, amended), — was considered, the recurring question being on passing it to be enacted. State Board of Labor and Industries, — inspection force.

On motion of Mr. Halliwell, Senate Rule No. 49 was suspended.

The same Senator moved that the bill be amended by inserting before the words "shall be men who have worked at least three years" (which were inserted by amendment), the words ", to the extent that vacancies exist or shall occur,"; and by striking out, in the same sentence, the words "and who have served in the army or navy of the United States in the present war".

Pending these amendments, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be enacted, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Beck.

Shrewsbury, —
purchase of
land from
Worcester.

The Senate Bill to authorize the town of Shrewsbury to purchase certain land in fee from the city of Worcester for the purpose of erecting a schoolhouse thereon (Senate, No. 539), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read as follows: "An Act to authorize the town of Shrewsbury to purchase certain land from the city of Worcester for school purposes."

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Children re-
tarded in men-
tal develop-
ment, —
instruction.

The Bill to determine the number of children retarded in mental development and to provide for their instruction (Senate, No. 576), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Chamberlain, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday.

Adults, —
instruction in
English
language.

The Bill to provide for the instruction of adults in the English language (Senate, No. 577), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Chamberlain, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday.

Mashpee, —
trust funds.

The Senate Bill to permit the selectmen of the town of Mashpee to expend certain trust funds (Senate, No. 578), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Bristol County
Agricultural
School, —
improvements.

The House Bill to provide for a poultry plant, a hothouse and other improvements at the Bristol County Agricultural School (House, No. 580, amended), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Bill.

The Bill to provide for the completion by the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board of the Wellesley extension of the south metropolitan sewerage system (House, No. 1727), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The House Bill increasing the amounts allowed for clerical assistance to the registers of probate and insolvency for certain counties (House, No. 1759), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Registers of probate and insolvency, — clerical assistance.

The House Bill to regulate the salaries of the officers and employees of the Reformatory for Women (House, No. 1777), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Reformatory for Women, — salaries.

The House Bill to regulate the salaries of the clerk at the State Prison and the clerk at the Massachusetts Reformatory (House, No. 1778), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

State Prison and Massachusetts Reformatory, — salaries of clerks.

The Senate Resolve to provide for an investigation by a special commission of the question of training disabled soldiers and sailors and of related matters (Senate, No. 375), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the resolve was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Disabled soldiers and sailors, — training.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

The Senate Resolve to provide for an investigation by the Industrial Accident Board relative to the availability for injured industrial workers of newly developed appliances and services provided for injured soldiers (Senate, No. 570), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the resolve was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Injured employees, — use of newly developed appliances and services provided for injured soldiers.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

The Senate Resolve to provide for temporary relief of the needy blind and for an investigation by a special commission relative to additional assistance for blind persons (Senate, No. 579), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the resolve was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Needy blind, — assistance.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

The Senate Resolve providing for the erection of a dormitory for women at the Massachusetts Agricultural College (printed as House, No. 1277), — was rejected, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means.

Massachusetts Agricultural College, — dormitory for women.

Mount Grace,
— State forest.

The Senate Bill to establish Mount Grace as a State forest (printed as House, No. 177, changed), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 584).

This amendment was adopted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 584), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

House bill.

The House Bill to fix the salaries of the doorkeepers, assistant doorkeepers, postmaster and messengers of the General Court (House, No. 1754), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

House report.

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 117) of Charles W. Gould relative to conditional sales of personal property, — was accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Callahan, at one minute before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

FRIDAY, June 6, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Churchill, for the committee on Ways and Means, on so much of the Senate Bill to establish the salaries of clerks and assistant clerks of court (Senate, No. 484) as was based on the petition of Edgar W. Swift (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 165), a Resolve in favor of the first assistant clerk of courts for the county of Plymouth (Senate, No. 585); and

Plymouth
County, —
first assistant
clerk of courts.

By Mr. Cavanagh, for the joint committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of John E. Beck (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 27), a Bill relative to the admission as evidence of records of conviction of witnesses (Senate, No. 586);

Witnesses, —
records of
conviction.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Loring, for the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 696) of William I. Schell that the Massachusetts Highway Commission refuse registration unless owners of motor-vehicles file certificates of insurance for personal liability or property damages;

Owners of
motor-vehicles,
— certificates
of insurance
for personal
liability.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1248) of Daniel J. Gillen relative to the filing of bonds with the Massachusetts Highway Commission before registration is granted to owners of motor-vehicles; and

Owners of
motor-vehicles,
— filing of
bonds.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1250) of Arthur K. Reading relative to personal liability insurance by owners of motor-vehicles;

Owners of
motor-vehicles,
— personal
liability
insurance.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Perrin, the Senate Report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 277) of Edward A. Counihan, Jr., that the Public Service Commission be directed to inquire into the cost of construction of the Cambridge subway, — was taken from the table; and the report was accepted.

Cambridge
subway, —
cost of
construction.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Weston, the House Bill relative to the employment of minors in the operation of elevators (House, No. 826, amended), — was taken from the table and considered; and,

Elevators, —
employment
of minors.

pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Wednesday, on motion of the same Senator.

Wellesley, —
high-level
sewer.

On motion of Mr. Perrin, the Senate Bill to provide for the completion of the Wellesley extension of the high-level sewer of the south metropolitan sewerage district (Senate, No. 486), — was taken from the table and considered, the question being on passing the bill to be engrossed; and it was rejected.

PAPER FROM THE HOUSE.

The following House order was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —

Joint standing
committees, —
reports.

Ordered, That the joint standing committees be directed to report forthwith upon all matters now pending before them, on which hearings have been closed.

The Senate adopted the following Senate order, the consideration of which had been postponed from the preceding session, to wit: —

Joint session
of Senate and
House, — con-
stitutional
amendment;
classification
of property for
purposes of
taxation.

Ordered, That the Senate hereby calls for a joint session of the Senate and House of Representatives, conformably to the provisions of Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution, for the purpose of considering a proposal for a legislative amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth authorizing the General Court to classify property for purposes of taxation.

By a vote of 10 to 12, the Senate rejected the following Senate order, the consideration of which had been postponed from the preceding session, to wit: —

Joint session
of Senate and
House, —
constitutional
amendment;
exempting
acts and
resolves from
referendum.

Ordered, That the Senate hereby calls for a joint session of the Senate and House of Representatives, conformably to the provisions of Article XLVIII of the Amendments to the Constitution, for the purpose of considering a proposal for a legislative amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth, further exempting acts and resolves from the referendum provisions, and for perfecting and elucidating the provisions of the Constitution relating to the initiative and referendum, duly submitted to the current session of the General Court, on the petition of Francis Prescott, with accompanying resolve (Senate, No. 96).

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Boston, —
abolition of
the finance
commission.

The House Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 792) of Frank H. Cowin that the finance commission of the city of Boston be abolished or reorganized, — was considered, the main question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

There being no objection, Mr. Mahoney withdrew the pending amendment previously moved by him.

On motion of the same Senator, the report was amended by striking out the words "petitioner have leave to withdraw", and inserting in place thereof the words "petition be referred to the next General Court."

The report was then accepted, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill to establish Mount Grace as a State forest (Senate, No. 584), — was passed to be engrossed. Mount Grace,
— State forest.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck.

The engrossed Bill relative to the inspection force of the State Board of Labor and Industries (see House, No. 1756, amended), — was considered, the main question being on passing it to be enacted. State Board
of Labor and
Industries, —
inspection
force.

The Senate adopted the pending amendments, previously moved by Mr. Halliwell, — inserting before the words "shall be men who have worked at least three years" (which were inserted by amendment), the words ", to the extent that vacancies exist or shall occur,"; and by striking out, in the same sentence, the words "and who have served in the army or navy of the United States in the present war".

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck.

The Senate Bill relative to the salaries of the second assistant clerks of police, district and municipal courts (Senate, No. 206, changed), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Police, district
and municipal
courts, —
second assistant
clerks.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

The Senate Bill to establish the salaries of registers of deeds and assistant recorders of the Land Court, and assistant registers of deeds (Senate, No. 478), — was read a second time and was amended in section 1, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, by striking out lines 6 to 14, inclusive, and inserting in place thereof the following: Registers of
deeds and
assistant
recorders of
Land Court.

"Districts under 75,000 population, salary of register and assistant recorder, \$2,200.

Districts of 75,000 population, salary of register and assistant recorder, \$2,300.

Districts of 100,000 population, salary of register and assistant recorder, \$2,400.

Districts of 125,000 population, salary of register and assistant recorder, \$2,500.

Districts of 150,000 population, salary of register and assistant recorder, \$2,600.

Districts of 200,000 population, salary of register and assistant recorder, \$2,700.

Districts of 250,000 population, salary of register and assistant recorder, \$2,800.

Districts of 300,000 population, salary of register and assistant recorder, \$2,900.

Districts over 350,000 population, salary of register and assistant recorder, \$3,000."

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

Soldiers,
sailors and
marines, —
preferences in
public em-
ployment.

The Senate Bill giving certain preferences in public employment to soldiers, sailors and marines (Senate, No. 581), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Boston, —
messenger of
municipal
court.

The Senate Bill to increase the salary of the messenger of the municipal court of the city of Boston (printed as House, No. 815, changed), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read as follows: "An Act to establish the salary of the messenger of the municipal court of the city of Boston."

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Bill.

The Bill to authorize the cities of Taunton and Attleboro and the towns of Norton and Mansfield to acquire and operate the Norton, Taunton and Attleboro Street Railway (House, No. 1817), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Westfield
Camping
Club.

The Senate Resolve to reimburse the Westfield Camping Club for the construction of a fish screen (Senate, No. 73), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the resolve was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Ralph S.
Bauer.

The Senate Resolve reimbursing Ralph S. Bauer for money expended in installing a screen at Lake Attitash, Amesbury (Senate, No. 144), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the resolve was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read as follows: "Resolve to reimburse Ralph S. Bauer for the construction of a fish screen."

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Barnstable
County, — tax.

The House Resolve granting a county tax for the county of Barnstable (House, No. 1790), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the resolve was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

The House Resolve granting a county tax for the county of Berkshire (House, No. 1791), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the resolve was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator. Berkshire
County, — tax.

The House Resolve granting a county tax for the county of Bristol (House, No. 1792), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the resolve was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator. Bristol
County, — tax.

The House Resolve granting a county tax for the county of Dukes County (House, No. 1793), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the resolve was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator. Dukes
County, — tax.

The House Resolve granting a county tax for the county of Essex (House, No. 1794), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the resolve was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator. Essex
County, — tax.

The House Resolve granting a county tax for the county of Franklin (House, No. 1795), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the resolve was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator. Franklin
County, — tax.

The House Resolve granting a county tax for the county of Hampden (House, No. 1796), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the resolve was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator. Hampden
County, — tax.

The House Resolve granting a county tax for the county of Hampshire (House, No. 1797), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the resolve was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator. Hampshire
County, — tax.

The House Resolve granting a county tax for the county of Middlesex (House, No. 1798), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the resolve was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator. Middlesex
County, — tax.

Norfolk
County, — tax.

The House Resolve granting a county tax for the county of Norfolk (House, No. 1799), — was read a second time and was amended, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, by striking out, in lines 49 and 50, the words “ninety-seven thousand four hundred one dollars and eighty-five cents”, and inserting in place thereof the words “forty thousand dollars”. The resolve, as amended was then ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the resolve was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Plymouth
County, — tax.

The House Resolve granting a county tax for the county of Plymouth (House, No. 1800), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the resolve was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Worcester
County, — tax.

The House Resolve granting a county tax for the county of Worcester (House, No. 1801), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the resolve was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Merrimack
River, —
fishways at
Lawrence
and Lowell.

The Senate Bill to provide for the construction of fishways on the Merrimack River at Lawrence and Lowell (Senate, No. 181), — was considered; and, pending the question on rejecting the bill, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Colburn.

House bill.

The House Bill to establish the salaries of county treasurers in certain counties (House, No. 1712, amended), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Churchill.

Id.

The House Bill to provide for the completion by the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board of the Wellesley extension of the south metropolitan sewerage system (House, No. 1727), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck.

On motion of Mr. Beck, at fifteen minutes past twelve o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, June 9, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Message from His Excellency the Governor.

The following message was received from His Excellency the Governor, to wit:—

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, June 9, 1919.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

Herewith is transmitted a certified copy of a Resolution of Congress entitled: "Joint Resolution Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution Extending the Right of Suffrage to Women," accompanied with a letter of the Honorable Acting Secretary of State,—for your action thereon in accord with the Constitution and a law of the United States of America.

Message from the Governor,—
Woman suffrage amendment of Federal Constitution.

CALVIN COOLIDGE.

The message (see Senate, No. 589) was read and, with the accompanying documents, was referred to the committee on Federal Relations.

Sent down for concurrence.

Lieutenant William L. Roach, 79th Division, U. S. A.

Lieutenant William L. Roach of Brookfield, who was the recipient of the Lorraine Cross for bravery while attached to the 314th Infantry, 79th Division, United States Army, was introduced by the presiding officer and briefly addressed the Senate.

Lieutenant William L. Roach, United States Army.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill to establish the salary of certain officers of the county of Suffolk (Senate, No. 474), ought to pass in a new draft entitled "An Act to establish the salaries of judges of probate in the counties of Suffolk, Middlesex and Norfolk, the registers and assistant registers of probate in said counties and of certain officers of the county of Suffolk" (Senate, No. 587);

Counties of Suffolk, Middlesex and Norfolk,—salaries of certain county officials.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to establish the salaries of judges, registers and assistant registers of probate in certain counties (Senate, No. 475), ought to pass with an amendment in section 1, striking out lines 5, 6

Judges and registers of probate,—salaries.

and 7; and in section 8, inserting after the word "County", in line 2, the words "Middlesex, Norfolk,";

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading, with the amendment pending.

Taxes paid under mistake of law, — investigation.

By Mr. Churchill, for the same committee, that the House Resolve providing for a special commission to investigate the matter of taxes paid to the Commonwealth under mistake of law or fact (House, No. 1808), ought to pass;

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Public school-teachers, — certification.

By Mr. Churchill, for the committee on Education, on the report of the special recess commission on Education (Senate, No. 330) (in part, — see Senate, No. 349), a Bill to provide for the certification of public school-teachers (Senate, No. 591); and

Deputy Tax Commissioner.

By Mr. Nichols, for the committee on Taxation, on the report of the joint special recess committee on Taxation (Senate, No. 313) (in part), a Bill relative to the salary of the deputy Tax Commissioner (Senate, No. 588);

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Committee on Legal Affairs, — travel.

By Mr. Beck, for the joint committee on Rules, that the Senate Order that the committee on Legal Affairs be authorized to travel, in the discharge of its duties, in the city of Boston, on or before June 13, — ought to be adopted, with an amendment adding at the end thereof the words "at an expense not to exceed one hundred dollars.";

Read, and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, further moved by Mr. Beck, amended, as had been recommended by the joint committee on Rules, and, as amended, adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Orders Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Beck, —

Rules to govern joint sessions of the two Houses to consider legislative amendments of the Constitution.

Ordered, That, in joint sessions of the two Houses held for the consideration of any proposal for specific legislative Amendment of the Constitution, in accordance with the provisions of Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution, the following special rules shall be observed (see Senate, No. 590): —

Rule A. After the proposed Amendment has been taken up for consideration, it shall be read twice in immediate succession. The question shall then be on ordering it to a third reading; whereupon it shall be open to debate and amendment.

Rule B. If it is ordered to a third reading, the Amendment shall again be considered at such subsequent joint session or joint sessions as may be agreed upon by the two Houses or called by the Governor, in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution.

This rule may be suspended by a vote of four-fifths of the members of the joint session, present and voting thereon, in which case the Amendment shall forthwith be read a third time;

provided, however, that a motion to suspend the rule shall not be in order unless the Committees on Bills in the Third Reading of the two Houses, acting jointly, have examined the Amendment and reported thereon in accordance with the provisions of Rule C.

Rule C. Before the Amendment is read a third time, it shall be examined by the Committees on Bills in the Third Reading of the two Houses, acting jointly, and reported on by them in the manner provided in the standing rules of the Senate and of the House.

Rule D. After a third reading the question shall be on agreeing to the Amendment.

Rule E. When a question is under debate the President shall receive no motion that does not relate to the same, except the motion to adjourn or some other motion which has precedence by express rule or because it is privileged in its nature; and he shall receive no motion relating to the same except: —

For the previous question;

To close debate at a specified time;

To postpone until the two Houses meet again in joint session;

To commit (or recommit), with or without instructions, to a special committee of the joint session composed of members of both Houses;

To amend;

which several motions shall have precedence in the order here arranged.

Rule F. The sense of the joint session shall be taken by yeas and nays whenever required by thirty-five of the members present.

In calling the roll, the names of the Senators shall first be called in alphabetical order and then those of the Representatives.

A pair with any member who is absent with a committee by authority of either or both Houses may be announced, and shall be recorded, in the manner permitted by Rule 68 of the House.

Rule G. It shall not be in order for the two Houses to go into a Committee of the Whole when in joint session.

Rule H. If the two Houses are in joint session ten minutes before the hour of meeting of either branch, the President shall declare an adjournment.

Rule I. The rules of the House of Representatives shall govern the proceedings in the joint sessions in all cases to which they are applicable, and in which they are not inconsistent with the provisions of Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution, or with these rules or amendments thereof, or with Joint Rules Nos. 23, 24, 25 or 26.

Rule J. Rules A to J, inclusive, may be altered, suspended or rescinded by a concurrent vote of two-thirds of the members of each branch present and voting thereon.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Nichols, —

Ordered, That, conformably to the provisions of Article XLVIII of the Amendments to the Constitution, a joint session of the two Houses be held on Tuesday, June 10, at 2.30 o'clock, P.M., for

Joint session
of the two
Houses, —
constitutional
amendment;

classification
of property
for purposes
of taxation.

the purpose of considering the Proposal for a Legislative Amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth Authorizing the General Court to Classify Property for Purposes of Taxation.
Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

State Prison,
— transfer to
Bridgewater.

A Resolve providing for an investigation as to the transfer of the State Prison to the State Farm at Bridgewater (House, No. 1810, — on the report of the special commission, House, No. 1403, in part), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

New Bedford,
— sale of
park land.

A Bill to authorize the city of New Bedford to sell certain real estate acquired for park purposes (House, No. 1767, on the petition of the park board of said city), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Newton and
Brookline, —
boundary line.

A Report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1737) of Abbott B. Rice for the correction of an error in the statute defining the boundary line between the city of Newton and town of Brookline, — came up, recommitted to the said committee, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule; and the Senate concurred in the suspension of the said rule.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

The following engrossed bills (both of which originated in the House) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

To provide for a public Latin school in the city of Boston; and

To provide for a commission to investigate the judicature of the Commonwealth.

Resolve
passed, etc.

An engrossed Resolve providing for an investigation by the Director of the Bureau of Statistics as to the value of the property of educational institutions which is exempt from taxation (which originated in the House), — was passed and, with the above-named bills, was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Aircraft.

The House Bill to regulate the use of aircraft (House, No. 1716), — was considered; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments previously adopted by the Senate, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Beck.

Merrimack
River, —
fishways at
Lawrence and
Lowell.

The Senate Bill to provide for the construction of fishways on the Merrimack River at Lawrence and Lowell (Senate, No. 181), — was rejected, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means.

The Bill relative to the admission as evidence of records of conviction of witnesses (Senate, No. 586), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Curran, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session.

Witnesses, —
records of
conviction.

The Resolve in favor of the first assistant clerk of courts for the county of Plymouth (Senate, No. 585), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Resolve.

The Senate Bill to establish the salaries of registers of deeds and assistant recorders of the Land Court, and assistant registers of deeds (Senate, No. 478), — was read a third time, as previously amended. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 1, by inserting after the word "the", where it first occurs in line 18, the words "annual average gross income of his registry from all sources for the five years next preceding the date when a salary, adjusted or readjusted under the provisions of this act, takes effect".

Registers of
deeds and
assistant
recorders of
Land Court.

Pending this amendment and pending the main question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Curran.

The House Bill relative to the theft of motor-vehicles (House, No. 1711), — was read a third time.

Motor-
vehicles, —
theft.

Mr. Beck moved that the bill be amended in section 1, by striking out all after the word "by", where it first occurs in line 8, and inserting in place thereof the words "imprisonment in the State Prison for not less than five nor more than ten years."; also by adding the following new section: — "SECTION 3. A prosecution for the violation of any provision of this act shall not, unless the purposes of justice require such disposition, be placed on file or disposed of except by trial and judgment according to the regular course of criminal proceedings. It shall be otherwise disposed of only upon motion in writing, stating specifically the reasons therefor and verified by affidavit if facts are relied on. If the court or magistrate certifies in writing that he is satisfied that the cause relied on exists and that the interests of public justice require the allowance thereof, such motion shall be allowed and said certificate shall be filed in the case."

Pending these amendments, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Loring.

The House Bill to regulate appropriations by the school-committee of the city of Boston (House, No. 1783, amended), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

House bill.

The House Bill to authorize the cities of Taunton and Attleboro and the towns of Norton and Mansfield to acquire and operate the Norton, Taunton, and Attleboro Street Railway (House, No. 1817), — was read a third time. Mr. Counihan, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended as follows:

Norton, Taun-
ton and
Attleboro
Street Railway.

In section 2, by adding at the end thereof the words "In case the parties in interest are unable to agree as to the compensation to be paid for any property or interest taken by right of eminent domain, hereunder, the same shall be determined in the manner provided by law in respect to takings for highway purposes".

In section 3, by striking out, in lines 1 and 2, the words "In case of a purchase or taking as aforesaid, each city or town so purchasing or taking", and inserting in place thereof the words "Each of said cities or towns"; and

By transposing section 11, so that it will become section 3; and section 12 so that it will become section 4.

These amendments were adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Reed.

The Senate reports

Senate
reports.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 696) of William I. Schell that the Massachusetts Highway Commission refuse registration unless owners of motor-vehicles file certificates of insurance for personal liability or property damages; and

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1250) of Arthur K. Reading relative to personal liability insurance by owners of motor-vehicles;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

Owners of
motor-vehicles,
— filing of
bonds.

The Senate Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1248) of Daniel J. Gillen relative to the filing of bonds with the Massachusetts Highway Commission before registration is granted to owners of motor-vehicles, — was considered, the question being on accepting it.

On motion of Mr. Kearney, the report was amended by striking out the words "petitioner have leave to withdraw", and inserting in place thereof the words "petition be referred to the next General Court".

The report, as amended, was then accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Weston, at two minutes past three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, June 10, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate bills

To provide further for the improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a State highway in the town of Dracut and the city of Methuen (Senate, No. 126);

To provide for the improvement of the highway between the towns of Westborough and Grafton (Senate, No. 524); and

Authorizing the construction of a State highway within the limits of the city of Holyoke (Senate, No. 540); and

The Senate Resolve to provide for the construction of a State highway in the town of Norton (Senate, No. 541), — severally, ought to pass;

By Mr. Churchill, for the same committee, that the Senate bills

To provide for the improvement of the highway in the town of Middlefield leading from Chester to Worthington (Senate, No. 125, changed); and

To provide for the improvement of the highway between the towns of Belchertown and Amherst (Senate, No. 513); and

The House Bill to authorize the State Department of Agriculture to establish demonstration sheep farms (House, No. 1809), — severally, ought to pass;

By Mr. McLane, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to establish the salaries of justices, clerks and assistant clerks of police, district and municipal courts (Senate, No. 483), ought to pass; and

By Mr. Curran, for the same committee, that the House Bill relative to payment for the clerical work of the trial justice in the city of Methuen (House, No. 1807), ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Gifford, for the same committee, that the Senate Resolve relative to the construction of a State highway in the town of Williamstown (Senate, No. 496), ought to pass with an amendment striking out, in lines 10 and 11, the words "three thousand", and inserting in place thereof the words "fifteen hundred";

By Mr. Smith, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to authorize the appointment of additional assistant clerks of courts in the county of Middlesex (printed as House, No. 810), ought to pass with an amendment in section 1, inserting after

Dracut and
Methuen, —
State highway.

Westborough
and Grafton,
— highway.

Holyoke, —
State highway.

Norton, —
State highway.

Middlefield,
— highway.

Belchertown
and Amherst,
— highway.
Sheep farms.

Police, district
and municipal
courts, —
salaries.

Methuen, —
clerical work
of trial
justice.

Williamstown,
— State
highway.

Middlesex
County, —
additional
assistant clerks
of courts.

the word "woman", in line 6, the words "but the number of such additional assistant clerks shall not exceed two."; and

Clerks of courts.

By Mr. Curran, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to establish the salaries of clerks and assistant clerks of court (Senate, No. 484), ought to pass with the following amendments:

In section 1, striking out, in lines 5 and 6, the words "Counties under 20,000 population, salary of clerk, \$2,100, Counties of 20,000 population, salary of clerk, \$2,200," and inserting in place thereof the words "Counties under 30,000 population, salary of clerk, \$2,300";

Inserting a new section after section 1 as follows: "SECTION 2. The salary of William C. Dillingham, as clerk of courts for the county of Middlesex, and the salary of Francis A. Campbell, clerk of the Superior Court, civil session, for the county of Suffolk, are hereby each established at seven thousand dollars a year, notwithstanding any other provision of this act."

In section 2 (as printed), striking out, in line 2, the word "fifty-five", and inserting in place thereof the word "sixty-five"; and

In section 3 (as printed), striking out, in line 2, the word "fifty", and inserting in place thereof the word "fifty-five".

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading, with the amendments pending.

Persons affected with incurable diseases, — commitment.

By Mr. McLane, for the same committee, that the House Bill relative to the commitment of certain persons affected with incurable diseases (House, No. 1587), ought to pass in the form of a "Resolve providing for investigation by the State Board of Charity relative to State provision for the care of settled persons suffering from incurable diseases" (printed as House, No. 1779); and

Boston, — rapid transit circuits.

By Mr. Beck, for the joint committee on Rules, on the recommended Order requesting the Public Service Commission and the Transit Department of the city of Boston to furnish information as to the practicability of extending the present rapid transit system of the Boston Elevated Railway Company, a Resolve to provide for a report upon the feasibility of constructing certain rapid transit circuits by means of surface tracks located upon or adjacent to existing railroad locations in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 592);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Second-hand motor-vehicles.

By Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, for the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 264) of The Dorchester Board of Trade for regulation of the purchase and sale of second-hand motor-vehicles and parts thereof;

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Petition.

American Express Company; Adams Express Com-

Mr. Knox presented a petition of Austin M. Pinkham that there be refunded to the American Express Company and Adams Express Company one-half the registration fees of 1918 on motor-

vehicles transferred to and re-registered by the American Railway Express Company; and, under the 12th Joint Rule, it was referred to the next General Court.

pany, —
refunding of
registration
fees.

Order Adopted.

Mr. Beck offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —

Ordered, That the time within which the following joint committees are required, under the provisions of the 10th joint rule, to make final report upon all matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended to Monday, June 16, to wit: —

Joint com-
mittees, —
reports.

Administration and Commissions, Education, Judiciary, Legal Affairs, Taxation and Ways and Means.

Subsequently, the same Senator, for the joint committee on Rules, reported that the order ought to be adopted; and it was considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, further moved by Mr. Beck, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Granting the consent of the Commonwealth to the purchase by the United States and ceding jurisdiction of certain lands in Boston (printed in House, No. 1775, — being the message from the Governor relative thereto); and

Dry-dock and
certain land in
South Boston,
— Federal
control.

To authorize the maintenance of a temporary bridge over Neponset River in the cities of Boston and Quincy, and to cede certain land to the United States (House, No. 1787, — on the message from the Governor relative thereto, House, No. 1704); and

Neponset
River, —
temporary
bridge to
Squantum.

Resolves

Providing for an investigation by the State Department of Health and the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board relative to water supply needs and resources and to the use of great ponds (House, No. 1607, amended, — on the special report of the State Department of Health, House, No. 239; and on so much of the annual report of said department, House, No. 1299, as relates thereto); and

Water
resources, —
conservation
and develop-
ment.

Authorizing the Metropolitan Park Commission to make certain payments to the wife of James B. Ellis of Everett (House, No. 1814, — on the petition of Fred P. Greenwood, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1622);

Wife of James
B. Ellis of
Everett.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills

To authorize the city of Everett to incur indebtedness for school purposes (printed as Senate, No. 536, changed, — on the petition of William E. Weeks, mayor, and another);

Everett, —
indebtedness
for school
purposes.

To authorize the city of Woburn to borrow money for the purpose of acquiring capital stock of the Horn Pond Railroad

Woburn, —
indebtedness
for railroad
stock.

Company (House, No. 1769, — on the petition of Bernard J. Golden, mayor); and

Walpole, —
indebtedness
for school
buildings.

To authorize the town of Walpole to borrow money for the purpose of constructing and equipping school buildings (House, No. 1782, on the petition of the selectmen of said town);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Private detec-
tives, — State
supervision.

The Senate Bill to provide for the licensing and regulation of private detectives (Senate, No. 550), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the following amendments: In section 1, lines 5 and 6, and in section 5, lines 5 and 6 and lines 10 and 11, striking out the words "Secretary of the Commonwealth", and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the words "chief of the district police"; and in section 2, line 2, in section 3, line 3, in section 5, line 2, and in section 6, line 3 and line 5, striking out the word "Secretary", and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the words "chief of the district police".

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, and the amendments were considered forthwith, and were adopted, in concurrence.

State elections,
— absent
voting;
committee of
conference.

The engrossed Bill to permit absent voters to vote at State elections (see Senate, No. 326, amended), — came up, with the endorsement that the House had insisted on its amendments and had concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches; and that Messrs. Maloney of Chelsea, Jones of Berkley and Sawyer of Ware, of the House, had been joined.

Notice was received from the House that the following Senate bills had severally been rejected by the House: —

Deputy Fire
Prevention
Commissioner,
— salary.
Fire Prevention
Commissioner,
— salary.
Broad Canal,
— sea-wall.

Bill to establish the salary of the Deputy Fire Prevention Commissioner for the metropolitan district (Senate, No. 542);

Bill to establish the salary of the Fire Prevention Commissioner for the metropolitan district (Senate, No. 568);

Bill to authorize the Metropolitan Park Commission to rebuild a certain sea-wall on Broad Canal in the city of Cambridge (printed as House, No. 788); and

Smith Blair
Company.

Bill to revive the corporation known as the Smith Blair Company (printed as House, No. 1768).

State House,
— tablet in
honor of
war horses
and dogs.

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to the House petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1823) of Francis H. Rowley for the erection in the State House of a memorial tablet in honor of the horses and dogs who served and suffered in the great war; and, accordingly, under the said rule, the petition was referred to the next General Court.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to each of the following bills, introduced on leave; and the bills were severally referred to the committee on Public Institutions, to wit: —

Massachusetts
School for the
Feeble-Minded,

Bill authorizing the Commission on Mental Diseases to take real property in the city of Waltham for a spur track connecting

land of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded and the Central Massachusetts Railroad (House, No. 1821); and — spur rail-road track.

Bill authorizing the Commission on Mental Diseases to take real property in the town of Northborough for a spur track connecting land of the Westborough State Hospital and the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad (House, No. 1822). Westborough State Hospital, — spur rail-road track.

House petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1788) of Joseph E. Herrick relative to the appropriation for the improvement of Beverly Harbor; — improvement.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1789) of Alvin E. Bliss and others that the corporate powers and privileges of the Stratton Garage, Inc., be revived; Stratton Garage, Inc.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

The following House order was adopted, in concurrence: —

Ordered, That all joint committees to whom have been referred measures with reference to which final hearings by these committees have been closed shall report thereon not later than June 16. Joint committees, — reports.

Emergency Preamble Adopted.

An engrossed Bill to provide for the appointment of a commission to complete the work of revising and codifying the laws relating to towns (see Senate, No. 564), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: — Town laws, — revising and codifying.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 36.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Churchill, George B.
Mahoney, John J.

Mr. Harold L. Perrin. — 3.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

Relative to the rate of interest on certain sewer securities of the town of Reading;

Relative to the payment by insurance companies of death or compensation benefits under the Workmen's Compensation Act;

Relative to sight-saving classes for children;

Relative to the removal of attorneys-at-law;

Relative to sales at auction of personal property;

To incorporate The Independent Order of the J. R. Giddings and Joliffe Union;

To establish the salary of the present physician and surgeon at the State Prison;

To regulate the salaries of the officers and employees of the Reformatory for Women;

To increase the salary of the messenger of the courts of probate and insolvency for the county of Middlesex;

To regulate the salaries of the clerk at the State Prison and the clerk at the Massachusetts Reformatory;

To provide for a poultry plant, a hothouse and other improvements at the Bristol County Agricultural School;

To fix the salaries of the doorkeepers, assistant doorkeepers, postmaster and messengers of the General Court;

To provide for the granting of certificates of honor to citizens of Massachusetts who served on the Mexican border;

Relative to the fees of medical examiners and associate medical examiners in counties other than the county of Suffolk;

To provide further for the improvement and protection by the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands of rivers, harbors, tidewaters and foreshores;

To authorize the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game to lease certain ponds in the town of Wareham for the artificial propagation of alewives; and

Relative to the inspection force of the State Board of Labor and Industries.

Joint Session of the Two Houses to consider a Proposal for a Specific Legislative Amendment of the Constitution.

At half past two o'clock P.M., pursuant to assignment, the two Houses met in

Joint session of two Houses to consider proposal for specific legislative amendment of the Constitution.

JOINT SESSION

for the purpose of considering the following:

Proposal for a Legislative Amendment to the Constitution authorizing the General Court to classify Property for Purposes of Taxation.

1 A joint session of the Senate and House of Representa-
2 tives hereby declares it to be expedient to alter the Con-
3 stitution by the adoption of the following article of amend-
4 ment to the end that it may become a part of the Con-
5 stitution, if similarly agreed to in a joint session of the next
6 General Court and approved by the people at the State
7 election next following.

ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT.

8 Full power and authority are hereby given and granted
9 to the General Court to impose and levy a tax on personal
10 property in the manner hereinafter provided. Such tax
11 may be levied at different rates upon different classes of
12 such property, but shall be levied at a uniform rate through-
13 out the Commonwealth upon the same class of such property.
14 Any class of such property which is taxed under the pro-
15 visions of this article may be exempted from the imposition
16 and levying of proportional and reasonable assessments,
17 rates and taxes as at present authorized by the Constitution.
18 This article shall not be construed to limit the power of the
19 General Court to impose and levy reasonable duties and
20 excises.

The Amendment was read twice, in accordance with the provisions of the special rules, and was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading. After debate, it was voted, on motion of the Senator from Suffolk, Mr. Beck, at twenty-eight minutes before four o'clock P.M., that debate be closed in thirty minutes unless a vote should be sooner reached. The time for debate having expired, the Amendment was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 106 to 47, to be again considered (see Special Rule B) at such subsequent joint session or joint sessions as might be agreed upon by the two Houses or called by the Governor, in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution.

At thirteen minutes past four o'clock P.M., on motion of the Senator from Suffolk, Mr. Beck, the joint session adjourned; and the Senate returned to its chamber.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Nomination
papers.

The Senate Report of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 142) of Robert J. Bottomly relative to the time for filing nomination papers for certain candidates for public office, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of Mr. Hobbs.

Aircraft.

The House Bill to regulate the use of aircraft (House, No. 1716), — was considered, the question being on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments previously adopted by the Senate.

Mr. Beck moved that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 593).

Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments previously adopted by the Senate, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of the same Senator.

Motor-
vehicles, —
theft.

The House Bill relative to the theft of motor-vehicles (House, No. 1711), — was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate adopted the following pending amendments, previously moved by Mr. Beck: —

In section 1, striking out all after the word “by”, where it first occurs in line 8, and inserting in place thereof the words “imprisonment in the State Prison for not less than five nor more than ten years.”; also adding the following new section: —
“SECTION 3. A prosecution for the violation of any provision of this act shall not, unless the purposes of justice require such disposition, be placed on file or disposed of except by trial and judgment according to the regular course of criminal proceedings. It shall be otherwise disposed of only upon motion in writing, stating specifically the reasons therefor and verified by affidavit if facts are relied on. If the court or magistrate certifies in writing that he is satisfied that the cause relied on exists and that the interests of public justice require the allowance thereof, such motion shall be allowed and said certificate shall be filed in the case.”

On motion of Mr. Loring, the bill was further amended in section 1, by striking out, in line 2, the words “or uses the same without the consent of the owner”; and also by striking out section 2.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the several amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

Children
retarded in
mental devel-
opment.

The Bill to determine the number of children retarded in mental development and to provide for their instruction (Senate, No. 576), — was considered; and, pending the question on

ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Chamberlain.

The Bill to provide for the instruction of adults in the English language (Senate, No. 577) — was considered; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Chamberlain.

Adults, —
instruction
in English
language.

The Bill relative to the admission as evidence of records of conviction of witnesses (Senate, No. 586), — was ordered to a third reading.

Witnesses, —
records of
conviction.

The Senate Bill to establish the salaries of registers of deeds and assistant recorders of the Land Court, and assistant registers of deeds (Senate, No. 478), — was considered, as previously amended, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Registers of
deeds and
assistant
recorders of
Land Court.

The Senate adopted the pending amendment in section 1, previously recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, — inserting after the word "the", where it first occurs in line 18, the words "annual average gross income of his registry from all sources for the five years next preceding the date when a salary, adjusted or readjusted under the provisions of this act, takes effect".

Mr. Curran moved that the bill be amended by inserting after section 2 the following new section: "SECTION 3. The salary of Stephen A. Jennings, assistant register of deeds for the county of Suffolk, shall be four thousand dollars a year, notwithstanding any other provision of this act."

Mr. Nichols moved that the foregoing amendment be amended by striking out the words proposed for insertion and inserting in place thereof the following: "SECTION 3. The salaries of the first and second assistant registers of deeds for the county of Suffolk shall each be four thousand dollars a year, notwithstanding any other provision of this act."

Pending these amendments and pending the main question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Nichols.

The Senate Bill to establish the salaries of judges, registers and assistant registers of probate in certain counties (Senate, No. 475), — was read a second time; and, pending the amendments recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Weston.

Judges and
registers of
probate, —
salaries.

The Bill to establish the salaries of judges of probate in the counties of Suffolk, Middlesex and Norfolk, the registers and assistant registers of probate in said counties and of certain officers of the county of Suffolk (Senate, No. 587), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Walsh, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session.

Counties of
Suffolk, Mid-
dlesex and
Norfolk, —
salaries of
certain
county
officials.

Bill.

The Bill to authorize the city of New Bedford to sell certain real estate acquired for park purposes (House, No. 1767); and

Resolve.

The Resolve providing for a special commission to investigate the matter of taxes paid to the Commonwealth under mistake of law or fact (House, No. 1808);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Senate resolve.

The Senate Resolve in favor of the first assistant clerk of courts for the county of Plymouth (Senate, No. 585), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Prescott, at nineteen minutes before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, June 11, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Henry Hallam Saunderson of Boston.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill relative to the salary of the Deputy Tax Commissioner (Senate, No. 588), ought to pass;

Deputy Tax Commissioner, — salary.

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Loring, for the joint committee on the Judiciary, on the petitions of John C. Hammond and others (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 23); and of John W. McAnarney and others (accompanied by bill, House, No. 768), a Bill to provide for the travelling expenses of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts (Senate, No. 594);

Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts, — travelling expenses of Justices.

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Hobbs, for the committee on Administration and Commissions, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 241) of Francis Prescott for the establishment of a division for the inspection of food for, and the supervision of farms and agricultural enterprises connected with, State institutions;

State institutions, — inspection of food; supervision of farms, etc.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 445) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for the appointment of a wage-earner as a member of the Public Service Commission;

Public Service Commission, — appointment of wage-earner as member.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 446) of Frederic C. Nichols and others for the establishment of a State constabulary and the reorganization of the district police; and

State constabulary.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1181) of George W. Jones for a reorganization of the Massachusetts Commission for the Blind;

Massachusetts Commission for the Blind.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Winchester, the Senate Report of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the recommitted petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1298) of the Dorchester Board of Trade for a physical connection between the Shawmut branch of the Old Colony Railroad

Old Colony Railroad, — connecting Shawmut branch with Midland division of New York, New

Haven and
Hartford
Railroad.

Company and the Midland division of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company, — was taken from the table; and the report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Metropolitan
district, —
freight and
passenger
transportation.

On motion of the same Senator, the House Report of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1265) of Charles A. Ufford for improved freight and passenger transportation in the metropolitan district, — was taken from the table; and the report was accepted, in concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bill Returned by His Excellency the Governor with His Objections Thereto.

Veto, —
compensation
of members
of the General
Court.

The engrossed Bill to establish the compensation of the members of the General Court (see House, No. 1629, as amended, which, on June 3, had been laid before His Excellency the Governor for his approbation), came up, the same having been returned by His Excellency to the House, — the branch in which it originated, — with his objections thereto in writing, and having been passed by that branch, notwithstanding the said objections.

The message was as follows: —

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, June 6, 1919.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

In accordance with the duty imposed by the Constitution, a bill entitled, "An Act to Establish the Compensation of the Members of the General Court," being House, No. 1629, is herewith returned without approval.

This bill raises the salaries of members from \$1000 to \$1500, an increase of 50 per cent, and is retroactive. It is necessary to decide whether the Commonwealth can well afford this additional tax and whether any public benefit would accrue from it.

These are times that require careful scrutiny of public expenditure. The burden of taxes resultant from war is heavy. The addition of \$142,000 to the expenses of the Commonwealth in perpetuity is not to be undertaken but upon proven necessity. Service in the General Court is not obligatory but optional. It is not to be undertaken as a profession or a means of livelihood. It is a voluntary public service. In accord with the principles of our democratic institutions a compensation has been given in order that talent for service rather than the possession of property might be the standard of membership. There is no man of sufficient talent in the Commonwealth so poor that he cannot serve for a session, which averages about five months, and five days each week, at a salary of \$1,000 and a travel allowance of \$2.50 for each mile between his home and

the State House. This is too clear for argument. There is no need to consider those who are too rich to serve for this sum. It would be futile to discuss whether the services are worth more or less than this, as that is not here the question. Membership in the General Court is not a job. There are services rendered to the Commonwealth by Senators and Representatives that are priceless. For the searching out of great principles on which legislation is based there is no adequate compensation. If value for services were the criterion, there would be two hundred and eighty different salaries. When membership is sought as a means of livelihood, legislation will pass from a public function to a private enterprise. Men do not serve here for pay. They seek work and places of responsibility and find in that seeking, not in their pay, their honor.

The realities of life are not measured by dollars and cents. The skill of the physician, the divine eloquence of the clergyman, the courage of the soldier, that which we call character in all men, are not matters of hire and salary. No person was ever honored for what he received. Honor has been the reward for what he gave. Public acclaim and the ceremonious recognition paid to returning heroes are not on account of their government pay but of the service and sacrifice they gave their country. The place each member of the General Court will hold in the estimation of his constituents will never depend on his salary but on the ability and integrity with which he does his duty; not on what he receives but on what he gives; and only out of the bountifulness of his own giving will his constituents raise him to power. Not by indulging himself but by denying himself will he reach success.

It is because the General Court has recognized these principles in its past history that it has secured its high place as a legislative body. This act disregards all this and will ever appear to be an undertaking by members to raise their own salaries. The fact that many were thinking of the needs of others will remain unknown. Appearances cannot be disregarded. Those in whom is placed the solemn duty of caring for others ought to think of themselves last or their decisions will lack authority. There is apparent a disposition to deny the disinterestedness and impartiality of government. Such charges are the result of ignorance and an evil desire to destroy our institutions for personal profit. It is of infinite importance to demonstrate that legislation is used not for the benefit of the legislator but of the public.

The General Court of Massachusetts is a legislative body noted for its fairness and ability. It has no superior. Its critics have for the most part come from the outside and have most frequently been those who have approached it with the purpose of securing selfish desires of their clients or themselves. A long familiarity with it increases respect for it. It is charged with expressing the abiding convictions and conscience of the people of the Commonwealth. The most solemn obligation placed by the Constitution on the executive is the power to veto its actions. In all matters affecting it the General Court is entitled to his best judgment and carefully considered opinion.

Anything less would be a mark of disrespect and disloyalty to its members. That judgment and opinion, arrived at after a wide counsel with members and others, is here expressed, in the light of an obligation which is not personal, "faithfully and impartially to discharge and perform" the duties of a public office.

CALVIN COOLIDGE.

The message (House, No. 1825) having been read, the Senate proceeded to reconsider the bill, in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution; and, pending the question on passing the bill, the objections of His Excellency the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding, the further consideration thereof was postponed, on motion of Mr. McLane, until the matters in the Orders of the Day had been disposed of.

Subsequently, the matters in the Orders of the Day having been disposed of, the bill was further reconsidered; and, pending the question on passing the bill, the objections of His Excellency the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Beck.

Intangible
personal
property, —
taxation of
dealers.

A Bill relative to the taxation of persons engaged in the business of dealing in intangible personal property (House, No. 1842, — on the petition of George A. Rich, accompanied by bill, House, No. 838), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills

Tenancies
at will.

Relative to the termination of tenancies at will (House, No. 1815, — on the message from the Governor relative thereto, House, No. 1753); and

Lynn, —
Annie Welch.

To authorize the city of Lynn to pay a pension to Annie Welch (House, No. 1829, — on the petition of Daniel J. Hayden, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1736);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Securities and
commodities, —
regulation of
transactions.

The Senate Bill to regulate transactions relating to the purchase and sale of securities and commodities (Senate, No. 549), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments striking out, in lines 16, 17 and 18, and in lines 53 to 56, inclusive, the words "on the business day next thereafter, or on the following Monday; when such purchase or sale or contract therefor is made on a Friday", and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the words "or on the regular clearing day of such exchange or board next thereafter, which clearing day shall in no event be more than four days after such purchase or sale, or contract therefor, is made".

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Cavanagh, and the amendments were considered forthwith and were adopted, in concurrence.

Compensation
of injured
employees, —
special State
fund.

The Senate Bill to establish a special fund in the custody of the Treasurer and Receiver-General for the purpose of paying additional compensation to certain injured employees (Senate,

No. 560), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment in section 1, striking out, in lines 14 and 15, the words "or a member thereof".

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Cavanagh, and the amendment was considered forthwith and was adopted, in concurrence.

A Report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 537) of James A. Watson that the city of Boston be authorized to pay a sum of money to the widow of Atlas Skinner, — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Boston, —
widow of
Atlas Skinner.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate Bill relative to the number of doorkeepers, assistant doorkeepers, messengers and pages of the General Court (Senate, No. 319), had been referred by the House to the next General Court.

General Court,
— doorkeepers,
messengers
and pages.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

An engrossed Bill to provide for the completion by the Metropolitan Park Commission of the Neponset bridge over Neponset River between the cities of Boston and Quincy (which originated in the House) (see House, No. 1660, amended), — was put upon its final passage; and, it being a bill that provided for the borrowing of money in accordance with the provisions of Section 3 of Article LXII of the amendments of the Constitution, the question on passing it to be enacted was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as follows, to wit: —

Neponset
bridge between
Boston and
Quincy, —
\$170,000
bond issue.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 36.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Kearney, John J.

Mr. Peter F. Sullivan. — 3.

So the bill was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Wellesley
sewage disposal,
— \$225,000
bond issue.

The engrossed Bill to provide for the completion by the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board of the Wellesley extension of the south metropolitan sewerage system (which originated in the House) (see House, No. 1727), — was put upon its final passage; and, it being a bill that provided for the borrowing of money in accordance with the provisions of Section 3 of Article LXII of the amendments of the Constitution, the question on passing it to be enacted was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 35.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Curtin, John A.

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
Sullivan, Peter F. — 4.

So the bill was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

The following engrossed bills, both of which originated in the House) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit:—

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To establish the Tewksbury Fire and Water District; and
Increasing the amounts allowed for clerical assistance to the registers of probate and insolvency for certain counties.

The following engrossed resolves (all of which originated in the House) were severally passed and, with the above-named bills, were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit:—

Resolves
passed, etc.

In favor of Marion C. Burrows, widow of Charles T. Burrows;
Authorizing the payment of an annuity to Bertha M. Guenther of Dracut;

Granting a county tax for the county of Barnstable;
Granting a county tax for the county of Berkshire;
Granting a county tax for the county of Bristol;
Granting a county tax for the county of Dukes County;
Granting a county tax for the county of Essex;

Granting a county tax for the county of Franklin;
Granting a county tax for the county of Hampden;
Granting a county tax for the county of Hampshire;
Granting a county tax for the county of Middlesex;
Granting a county tax for the county of Plymouth; and
Granting a county tax for the county of Worcester.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Bill relative to the employment of minors in the operation of elevators (House, No. 826), — was considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Elevators, —
employment
of minors.

The Senate referred the bill to the next General Court, as had been previously moved by Mr. Weston.

The Bill to determine the number of children retarded in mental development and to provide for their instruction (Senate, No. 576), — was ordered to a third reading.

Children
retarded in
mental devel-
opment.

The Bill to provide for the instruction of adults in the English language (Senate, No. 577), — was considered; and the question on ordering the bill to a third reading was determined as follows, to wit: —

Adults, —
instruction
in English
language.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.

Messrs. Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Mahoney, John J.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 21.

NAYS.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Cronin, John
Finkel, Samuel B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Loring, Augustus P.

Messrs. McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J. — 17.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. Peter F. Sullivan. — 1.

So the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill to establish the salaries of registers of deeds and assistant recorders of the Land Court, and assistant registers of deeds (Senate, No. 478), — was considered, as previously amended, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Registers of
deeds and
assistant
recorders of
Land Court.

Mr. Nichols moved that the bill be recommitted to the committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Hastings moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until the next session.

The question being first put on the latter motion (that motion having precedence, under the rule), it was negatived.

The motion that the bill be recommitted was also negatived.

The Senate then considered the following pending amendment, previously moved by Mr. Curran: Inserting after section 2 the following new section: "SECTION 3. The salary of Stephen A. Jennings, assistant register of deeds for the county of Suffolk, shall be four thousand dollars a year, notwithstanding any other provision of this act."

By a vote of 10 to 8, the Senate adopted the pending amendment, previously moved by Mr. Nichols, of the foregoing amendment, — striking out the words proposed for insertion and inserting in place thereof the following: "SECTION 3. The salaries of the first and second assistant registers of deeds for the county of Suffolk shall each be four thousand dollars a year, notwithstanding any other provision of this act."

On motion of Mr. Counihan, by a vote of 15 to 8, the Senate amended the amendment, moved by Mr. Nichols, by inserting, after the word "Suffolk", the words "and the salary of the first assistant register of deeds for the county of Middlesex".

The amendment moved by Mr. Curran, as thus amended, was then adopted, by a vote of 17 to 3.

On motion of Mr. Finkel, the bill was further amended in section 1, by striking out, in lines 18 and 19, the words "gross income of the registry of deeds from all sources."

Mr. Beck moved that the bill be amended in section 1, by striking out, in lines 15 to 22, inclusive, as amended, the words "In addition to the basic salary herein provided, each register of deeds and assistant recorder of the Land Court shall receive in addition thereto a sum equal to ten per cent of the annual average gross income of his registry from all sources for the five years next preceding the date when a salary, adjusted or readjusted under the provisions of this act, takes effect, and such salary shall be in full for all services rendered as register of deeds and assistant recorder of the Land Court"; and this amendment was rejected.

The bill, as amended (see Senate, No. 595) was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Judges and
registers of
probate, —
salaries.

The Senate Bill to establish the salaries of judges, registers and assistant registers of probate in certain counties (Senate, No. 475), — was considered; and, pending the amendments recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was recommitted to the said committee, on motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden.

Counties of
Suffolk, Middlesex and

The Senate Bill to establish the salaries of judges of probate in the counties of Suffolk, Middlesex and Norfolk, the registers and

assistant registers of probate in said counties and of certain officers of the county of Suffolk (Senate, No. 587), — was considered; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was recommitted to the committee on Ways and Means, on motion of Mr. Walsh.

Norfolk, —
salaries of
certain county
officials.

The Bill to provide for the improvement of the highway in the town of Middlefield leading from Chester to Worthington (Senate, No. 125, changed), — was read a second time; and it was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 17 to 5.

Middlefield,
— highway.

The Senate Bill to establish the salaries of clerks and assistant clerks of court (Senate, No. 484), — was read a second time and, by a vote of 14 to 2, was amended, as had been previously recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, as follows: —

Clerks of
courts.

In section 1, by striking out, in lines 5 and 6, the words "Counties under 20,000 population, salary of clerk, \$2100, Counties of 20,000 population, salary of clerk, \$2200", and inserting in place thereof the words "Counties under 30,000 population, salary of clerk, \$2300";

By inserting a new section after section 1 as follows: "SECTION 2. The salary of William C. Dillingham, as clerk of courts for the county of Middlesex, and the salary of Francis A. Campbell, clerk of the Superior Court, civil session, for the county of Suffolk, are hereby each established at seven thousand dollars a year, notwithstanding any other provision of this act.";

In section 2 (as printed), by striking out, in line 2, the word "fifty-five", and by inserting in place thereof the word "sixty-five"; and

In section 3 (as printed), by striking out, in line 2, the word "fifty", and by inserting in place thereof the word "fifty-five".

On motion of Mr. Walsh, the bill was further amended by inserting after section 5 (section 4 as printed), the following new section: — "SECTION 6. The foregoing sections shall not apply to the assistant clerk of the Superior Court for civil business for the county of Suffolk performing duties as clerk in equity proceedings in said court for said county and the Commonwealth. He shall receive an annual salary of six thousand dollars: four thousand five hundred dollars of which shall be paid by the county of Suffolk and one thousand five hundred dollars by the Commonwealth."

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill to authorize the appointment of additional assistant clerks of courts in the county of Middlesex (printed as House, No. 810) — was read a second time and was amended in section 1, as had been previously recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, by inserting after the word "woman", in line 6, the words "but the number of such additional assistant clerks shall not exceed two.". The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

Middlesex
County, —
additional
assistant clerks
of courts.

The Senate Resolve relative to the construction of a State highway in the town of Williamstown (Senate, No. 496), — was

Williamstown,
— State
highway.

read a second time and was amended, as had been previously recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, by striking out, in lines 10 and 11, the words "three thousand", and inserting in place thereof the words "fifteen hundred." The resolve, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

Boston, —
rapid transit
circuits.

The Senate Resolve to provide for a report upon the feasibility of constructing certain rapid transit circuits by means of surface tracks located upon or adjacent to existing railroad locations in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 592), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Winchester, and the resolve was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read as follows: "Resolve to provide for an investigation as to the feasibility of constructing certain rapid transit circuits by means of surface tracks located upon or adjacent to existing railroad locations in the city of Boston."

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Persons affected
with incurable
diseases, —
commitment.

The Resolve providing for investigation by the State Board of Charity relative to State provision for the care of settled persons suffering from incurable diseases (printed as House, No. 1779), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Dahlborg, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session.

The bills

Bills.

To provide further for the improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a State highway in the town of Dracut and the city of Methuen (Senate, No. 126);

To establish the salaries of justices, clerks and assistant clerks of police, district and municipal courts (Senate, No. 483);

To provide for the improvement of the highway between the towns of Belchertown and Amherst (Senate, No. 513);

To provide for the improvement of the highway between the towns of Westborough and Grafton (Senate, No. 524);

Authorizing the construction of a State highway within the limits of the city of Holyoke (Senate, No. 540);

To authorize the city of Everett to incur indebtedness for school purposes (printed as Senate, No. 536, changed);

To authorize the city of Woburn to borrow money for the purpose of acquiring capital stock of the Horn Pond Railroad Company (House, No. 1769);

To authorize the town of Walpole to borrow money for the purpose of constructing and equipping school buildings (House, No. 1782);

Relative to payment for the clerical work of the trial justice in the city of Methuen (House, No. 1807); and

To authorize the State Department of Agriculture to establish demonstration sheep farms (House, No. 1809); and

The Resolve to provide for the construction of a State highway in the town of Norton (Senate, No. 541); Resolve.

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill relative to the admission as evidence of records of conviction of witnesses (Senate, No. 586), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Senate bill.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill to authorize the city of New Bedford to sell certain real estate acquired for park purposes (House, No. 1767); House bill.
and

The House Resolve providing for a special commission to investigate the matter of taxes paid to the Commonwealth under mistake of law or fact (House, No. 1808); House resolve.

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate Report of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 264) of The Dorchester Board of Trade for regulation of the purchase and sale of second-hand motor-vehicles and parts thereof, — was accepted. Senate report.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Mahoney, at ten minutes before six o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, June 12, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Return of Flag by the 317th Field Signal Battalion.

317th Field
Signal
Battalion, —
return of flag
to the Senate.

Major Luther I. Rose, Captain Roy S. Bowland, Captain Clarence J. Slack, Captain Frank Ferero, Captain Arthur E. Irving, Captain William E. Saylor and Lieutenant Glenn R. McArthur, officers of the 317th Field Signal Battalion, United States Army, having notified the President that they were present for the purpose of returning to the Senate the flag which had been presented to the Battalion by the Senate of 1918, a recess was taken, on motion of Mr. Beck; and, accompanied by His Excellency the Governor, the Senate proceeded to the front of the State House where Major Rose, in behalf of the Battalion, formally returned the flag which, he said, had been carried on the battlefields of France and which was entitled to show citations for bravery on the part of the Battalion in the St. Mihiel offensive, September 12-16, 1918, and in the Meuse-Argonne offensive, September 26 to November 11, 1918.

His Excellency the Governor received the flag in the name of the Commonwealth and, as requested by the commanding officer of the Battalion, transferred it to the President of the Senate, who accepted it, in behalf of the Senate.

The Senate then returned to the Senate Chamber, and was called to order. Major Rose was presented by the President and briefly expressed the thanks of the Battalion for the Senate's interest and for the courtesies extended to his officers and men.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Beck, —

Id.

Ordered, That the Sergeant-at-Arms be directed to prepare a suitable repository in the Senate Chamber for the preservation of the flag which was presented by the Senate of 1918 to the 317th Field Signal Battalion and which was returned by that organization to the Senate of 1919 on Thursday, June 12.

Bill Recalled from the Governor.

State Prison,
— salary of
physician and
surgeon.

On motion of Mr. Hastings, it was voted that a message be sent to His Excellency the Governor requesting the return to the Senate of the engrossed Bill to establish the salary of the present physician and surgeon at the State Prison (which originated in the House) (see House, No. 1755).

Mr. Hastings was appointed the messenger. Subsequently, the bill was returned and was laid before the Senate. There being no objection, on motion of the same Senator, the Senate recon-

sidered the vote by which, at a previous session, it had passed the bill to be enacted.

On further motions of Mr. Hastings, Senate Rule No. 49 was suspended and the bill was amended in section 1, by striking out, in line 3 (as printed), the words "twenty-five hundred", and inserting in place thereof the words "two thousand".

Sent down for concurrence in the amendment. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of Mr. Hastings.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill to provide suitable recognition for the services of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the army and navy of the United States during the war with Germany (House, No. 1803), ought to pass with the following amendments:

Massachusetts soldiers and sailors, — suitable recognition for services.

In section 1, striking out, in line 4, the words "who served"; and adding after the word "Germany", in line 5, the words "to the full extent of the demands made upon them and of their opportunity,"; and

In section 2, striking out, in line 10, the words "not including"; striking out, in lines 28, 29 and 30, the words "or whose service was exclusively in the army, marine, naval or other unit of the Student Army Training Corps"; and inserting after the word "service", in line 30, the words "or relieved from active duty and not recalled to the colors";

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading, with the amendments pending.

By Mr. Curtin, for the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 101) of Augustus P. Loring relative to regulating the attachment of certain kinds of personal property; and

Personal property, — attachment.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 766) of Francis M. Ryder relative to proceedings in the attachment of property on mesne process or trustee process;

Mesne process, — proceedings.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

By Mr. Loring, for the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches with reference to the engrossed Bill to permit absent voters to vote at State elections (see Senate, No. 326, amended), — recommending that the House recede from its amendments at [A] and [B], striking out sections 11 and 12 and that section 12 be amended by adding at the end thereof the following words "nor shall they count or record any ballots mailed from within the New England States and received by the city or town clerk subsequent to the hour fixed by law for the closing of the polls on the day of the election"; that the House recede from its amendment at [C], adding a new section to the numbered section 29; and that the bill be amended by adding, at [D], the following new section: "SECTION 29. Section

Committee of conference, — absent voting.

twenty-eight of this act shall take effect ninety days after the passage thereof; otherwise this act shall take effect upon the first day of January, nineteen hundred and twenty.”;

Read, the rule suspended, on motion of Mr. Hobbs, and the report considered forthwith and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Reconsideration.

State House,
— tablet in
honor of
war horses
and dogs.

On motion of Mr. Cavanagh, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at a previous session, it had non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to the House petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1823) of Francis H. Rowley for the erection in the State House of a memorial tablet in honor of the horses and dogs who served and suffered in the great war.

On the recurring question, the rule was suspended, in concurrence, and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on State House and Libraries.

Bill Ordered Printed.

On motion of Mr. Hobbs, —

Commission on
the Necessaries
of Life.

Voted, That two hundred copies of a “Bill to establish the Commission on the Necessaries of Life”, be printed for the committee on Administration and Commissions.

Order.

Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden offered the following order; and, under the rule, it was referred to the Senate committee on Rules, to wit:

Opinions of
Justices of Su-
preme Judicial
Court, —
advertising in
public places.

Whereas, There are pending before the General Court certain bills providing for the regulation of advertising on public ways, in public places and on private property within public view, to wit, Senate Bill numbered 227 and House Bills numbered 629, 835, 1062 and 1063, copies of which are hereto annexed, and

Whereas, Grave doubt exists as to the extent of the powers of the Legislature in respect to the subject-matter of these bills, especially as affected by Article L of the Amendments to the Constitution, therefore be it

Ordered, That the opinions of the Honorable the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court be required by the Senate on the following important question of law: —

Would any or all of said bills be unconstitutional in whole or in part, if enacted into law?

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Legislative
document
division, —
assistant clerk.

Cambridge
subway, —
removal of
surface

A Bill to authorize the appointment of an assistant clerk of the legislative document division (House, No. 1839, — new draft of bill, House, No. 310, taken from the House files); and

A Resolve providing for an investigation by the Public Service Commission and the Board of Trustees of the Boston Elevated Railway Company of the expediency and cost of removing the

subway structures in Harvard Square in the city of Cambridge (House, No. 1828, — new draft, in part, of Senate Bill No. 552, amended);

structures in
Harvard
Square in
Cambridge.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

The engrossed Bill in addition to the general appropriation act making appropriations to supplement certain items contained therein, for certain permanent improvements and for certain new activities and projects (see House, No. 1732, amended), — came up, amended by inserting after section 2 the following new section: "SECTION 3. The several amounts hereby appropriated for the construction of buildings and for furnishing and equipping the same are hereby declared to be in full and final provision thereof."

Supplementary
budget bill.

Senate Rule No. 36 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Gifford, and the amendment was considered forthwith. Senate Rule No. 49 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator; and the Senate concurred in the adoption of the said amendment.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1838) of Edward F. Harrington that soldiers and sailors who take examinations for plumbers' licenses be given certain credits; and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Service.

Soldiers and
sailors, —
credits in
plumbers'
examinations.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

To regulate the purchase and sale of second-hand motor-vehicles and parts thereof;

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To authorize the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court to employ additional stenographers in the county of Suffolk;

To provide for precinct voting, limited town-meetings, town-meeting members, a referendum and an annual moderator in the town of Watertown;

To establish the salaries of county treasurers in certain counties;

To fix the minimum wage of scrubwomen employed by the Commonwealth; and

To provide for the appointment of a commission to complete the work of revising and codifying the laws relating to towns.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of the widow of Robert J. Glavin (which originated in the Senate), — was passed and, with the above-named bills, was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Resolve
passed, etc.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Report of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 142) of Robert J. Bottomly relative to the

Nomination
papers.

time for filing nomination papers for certain candidates for public office, — was considered, the question being on accepting it.

Mr. Hobbs moved that the report be amended by substituting a "Bill relative to the time for filing nomination papers for certain candidates". (Senate, No. 142).

Pending this amendment and pending the main question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of the same Senator.

Aircraft.

The House Bill to regulate the use of aircraft (House, No. 1716), — was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments previously adopted by the Senate.

The Senate adopted the amendment, previously moved by Mr. Beck, — that the bill be amended by the substitution of a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 593); and, accordingly, the bill was substituted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 593), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Persons affected with incurable diseases, — commitment.

The Resolve providing for investigation by the State Board of Charity relative to State provision for the care of settled persons suffering from incurable diseases (printed as House, No. 1779), — was considered; and, pending the question on ordering the resolve to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Dahlborg.

Veto, — compensation of members of the General Court.

The engrossed Bill to establish the compensation of the members of the General Court (see House, No. 1629, amended), — was further reconsidered; and the question on passing the bill, the objections of His Excellency the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.

Messrs. Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Perrin, Harold L.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Winchester, Charles A. — 27.

NAYS.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.

Messrs. Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 11.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. John J. Walsh. — 1.

So the bill was passed, in concurrence, notwithstanding the objections of His Excellency the Governor, two-thirds of the members present having approved the same.

The bill was sent to the Secretary of the Commonwealth endorsed accordingly.

The bills

Relative to the salary of the Deputy Tax Commissioner Bills.
(Senate, No. 588);

Relative to the termination of tenancies at will (House, No. 1815); and

To authorize the city of Lynn to pay a pension to Annie Welch (House, No. 1829);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill to provide for the improvement of the highway in the town of Middlefield leading from Chester to Worthington (Senate, No. 125, changed), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 2, by striking out, in lines 6 and 7, the words "a term not exceeding fifteen years", and inserting in place thereof the words "such terms as the Governor may recommend to the General Court in accordance with section three of Article LXII of the Amendments to the Constitution." Middlefield, —
highway.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill to provide further for the improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a State highway in the town of Dracut and the city of Methuen (Senate, No. 126), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 2, by striking out, in lines 6 and 7, the words "a term not exceeding fifteen years", and inserting in place thereof the words "such terms as the Governor may recommend to the General Court in accordance with section three of Article LXII of the Amendments to the Constitution." Dracut and
Methuen, —
State highway

This amendment was adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Middlesex
County, —
additional
assistant clerks
of court.

The Senate Bill to authorize the appointment of additional assistant clerks of courts in the county of Middlesex (printed as House, No. 810), — was read a third time, as previously amended.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the bill was further amended by striking out, in section 2 (as printed and changed), the words "but not exceeding the salaries of assistant clerks of court in said county as now established by law", and inserting in place thereof the words "at amounts not exceeding twenty-five hundred dollars a year in any instance".

The bill, as amended (see Senate, No. 596), was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Norton, —
State highway.

The Senate Resolve to provide for the construction of a State highway in the town of Norton (Senate, No. 541), — was read a third time, as previously amended. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft in the form of a bill with the same title (Senate, No. 597).

This amendment was adopted.

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, and the new draft was considered forthwith and was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Senate bills.

The Senate bills

To provide for the improvement of the highway between the towns of Belchertown and Amherst (Senate, No. 513);

To provide for the improvement of the highway between the towns of Westborough and Grafton (Senate, No. 524);

Authorizing the construction of a State highway within the limits of the city of Holyoke (Senate, No. 540); and

To determine the number of children retarded in mental development and to provide for their instruction (Senate, No. 576); and

Senate resolve.

The Senate Resolve to provide for an investigation relative to the construction of a State highway in the town of Williamstown (Senate, No. 496, amended) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

House bills.

The House bills

To authorize the city of Everett to incur indebtedness for school purposes (printed as Senate, No. 536, changed);

To authorize the city of Woburn to borrow money for the purpose of acquiring capital stock of the Horn Pond Railroad Company (House, No. 1769);

To authorize the town of Walpole to borrow money for the purpose of constructing and equipping school buildings (House, No. 1782); and

Relative to payment for the clerical work of the trial justice in the city of Methuen (House, No. 1807);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Bill to authorize the State Department of Agriculture to establish demonstration sheep farms (House, No. 1809), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out section 4. Sheep farms.

This amendment was adopted.

By a vote of 14 to 4, the bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on Administration and Commissions, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 241) of Francis Prescott for the establishment of a division for the inspection of food for, and the supervision of farms and agricultural enterprises connected with, State institutions; Senate reports.

Of the committee on Administration and Commissions, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 445) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for the appointment of a wage-earner as a member of the Public Service Commission;

Of the committee on Administration and Commissions, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 446) of Frederic C. Nichols and others for the establishment of a State constabulary and the reorganization of the district police; and

Of the committee on Administration and Commissions, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1181) of George W. Jones for a reorganization of the Massachusetts Commission for the Blind;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House Report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 537) of James A. Watson that the city of Boston be authorized to pay a sum of money to the widow of Atlas Skinner, — was accepted, in concurrence. House report.

On motion of Mr. Hobbs, at ten minutes before four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

FRIDAY, June 13, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Message from His Excellency the Governor.

The following message was received from His Excellency the Governor, to wit: —

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, June 13, 1919.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

Message from
the Governor,
— Special com-
mission to
investigate
prices of
necessaries
of life.

Owing to war conditions prices of the necessities of life are very considerably increased. In some cases prices have receded since the signing of the armistice; in others they appear to have increased. The ordinary consumer is interested and affected by retail prices. Except as these prices reflect prices at wholesale, he is uninterested in wholesale prices. While there is very little constitutional authority for the fixing of prices by law, it is of the utmost consequence that the public know that charges are reasonable. All kinds of wages have been increased and these of course are reflected in the increased cost of materials. The public know this and expect to pay these necessary increases. They ought to be informed as to whether prices in general are fair and reasonable. If they are, they are willing to pay them; if they are not, a public recognition of that condition will tend to adjust prices to a reasonable basis. There is constitutional authority for investigating and reporting on this most important condition. Government fails as an administrator of justice if it permits to go unchallenged an exorbitant charge upon the public.

It is therefore recommended that a special commission, consisting of the Attorney-General, the Supervisor of Administration, the Commissioner of Standards and two other persons to be appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Council, — be authorized to investigate and report its findings to the next General Court, and so much thereof as in its opinion would be for the public benefit from time to time meanwhile, by filing a copy thereof in the office of the clerk of the Senate; with authority to make expenditures of money in the conduct of its investigation.

CALVIN COOLIDGE.

The message (see Senate, No. 600) was read and was referred to the committee on Reconstruction.

Sent down for concurrence.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill relative to the taxation of persons engaged in the business of dealing in intangible personal property (House, No. 1842); and

Persons dealing in intangible personal property, — taxation.

The House Resolve providing for an investigation by the State Department of Health and the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board relative to water supply needs and resources and to the use of great ponds (House, No. 1607, amended), — severally, ought to pass;

Great ponds, — water supply resources.

By Mr. McLane, for the same committee, that the House Bill to authorize the appointment of an assistant clerk of the legislative document division (House, No. 1839), ought to pass;

Legislative document division, — assistant clerk.

By Mr. Smith, for the same committee, that the House resolves

Providing for an investigation as to the transfer of the State Prison to the State Farm at Bridgewater (House, No. 1810);

State Prison, — transfer.

Providing for an investigation as to the feasibility of constructing a bridge or a traffic tunnel connecting Boston and East Boston (House, No. 1812); and

Boston and East Boston, — bridge or traffic tunnel.

Authorizing the Metropolitan Park Commission to make certain payments to the wife of James B. Ellis of Everett (House, No. 1814), — severally, ought to pass; and

Metropolitan Park Commission, — wife of James B. Ellis.

By Mr. Curran, for the same committee, that the House bills

Granting the consent of the Commonwealth to the purchase by the United States and ceding jurisdiction of certain lands in Boston (printed in House, No. 1775); and

Certain State property, — ceding jurisdiction to United States.

To authorize the maintenance of a temporary bridge over Neponset River in the cities of Boston and Quincy, and to cede certain land to the United States (House, No. 1787), — severally, ought to pass;

Neponset River, — temporary bridge between Boston and Quincy.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the House Bill relative to the salaries of agents of the Massachusetts Bureau of Prisons (House, No. 1811), ought to pass with an amendment, adding the following new section: "SECTION 3. The increases in salary provided for by this act shall not take effect until an appropriation has been made sufficient to cover the same, and then as of the first day of June in the current year";

Massachusetts Bureau of Prisons, — salaries of agents.

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading, with the amendment pending.

By Mr. Churchill, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill relative to hunting and fishing licenses (Senate, No. 410), ought to pass in a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 599); and

Hunting and fishing licenses.

By Mr. Chamberlain, for the committee on Education, on the report of the Special Recess Commission on Education (Senate,

Compulsory school attendance.

No. 330) (in part, see Senate, No. 346), a Bill relative to compulsory school attendance (Senate, No. 598);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Committee Discharged.

Widow of
Robert Herter.

Mr. Gifford, for the joint committee on Ways and Means, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 518) of Leland Powers and others that the Commonwealth be authorized, to pay an annuity to the widow of Robert Herter, and recommending that the same be referred to the Senate committee on Ways and Means.

The report was read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence in so much as relates to the discharge of the joint committee on Ways and Means.

Reconsideration.

State institutions, —
inspection of food; supervision of
farms, etc.

On motion of Mr. Prescott, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had accepted the Senate Report of the committee on Administration and Commissions, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 241) of Francis Prescott for the establishment of a division for the inspection of food for, and the supervision of farms and agricultural enterprises connected with, State institutions.

Pending the recurring question on accepting the report, it was amended, on motion of the same Senator, by substituting a "Bill relative to the supervision of the products of farms connected with State institutions" (Senate, No. 241); and the bill was read and, under the rule, was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

Taken from the Table.

Motor-vehicles,
— protection
against careless
operation.

On motion of Mr. Nason, the Bill to provide for the protection of persons and property in case of injuries due to the careless operation of motor-vehicles (Senate, No. 190), — was taken from the table and considered; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Wednesday, on motion of the same Senator.

Estates of
deceased soldiers and
sailors. —
legacy taxes.

On motion of Mr. Nichols, the House Report of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1397) of Charles F. Rowley that the estates of soldiers and sailors who die in service during the present war be exempt from legacy and succession taxes, — was taken from the table; and the report was accepted, in concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

The Senate Bill to regulate the dimensions of commercial vehicles and motor trucks and their trailers (Senate, No. 547, amended), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment in section 1, inserting in line 1, after the word "commercial", the word "motor".

Commercial motor-vehicles, — dimensions.

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the amendment was considered forthwith and was adopted, in concurrence.

The Senate Bill giving certain preferences in public employment to soldiers, sailors and marines (Senate, No. 581), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment inserting after the word "constructed", in line 29, the words "; *provided, however,* that no city or town in the construction of public works shall be required to give preference to veterans who are not residents of such city or town, over citizens of such city or town".

Soldiers, sailors and marines, — preferences in public employment.

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Loring, and the amendment was considered forthwith and was adopted, in concurrence.

The Senate Resolve directing the Industrial Accident Board to investigate the practicability of using for disabled industrial workers the new contrivances for restoring injured soldiers to productive employment (Senate, No. 570) (its title having been changed in the House), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out, in line 16, the words "a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars", and inserting in place thereof the words "such sum not exceeding one thousand dollars as may be hereafter appropriated".

Injured industrial workers, — use of new appliances for soldiers.

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Loring, and the amendment was considered forthwith and was adopted, in concurrence.

A Report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches with reference to the Senate Bill relative to primaries, caucuses and elections (Senate, No. 360, amended), — recommending that the House recede from its amendments, — was read and, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Hobbs, was considered forthwith and was accepted, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Committee of conference, — primaries, caucuses and elections.

Reports

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 60) of M. F. O'Brien, president of the Federation of State, City and Town Employees' Unions, that the provisions of the Workmen's Compensation Act be extended to storekeepers and foremen employed by cities and towns; and

Municipal storekeepers and foremen, — compensation for injuries.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1281) of George K. Farrell relative to the assessment of damages for the

Boston, — Dorchester tunnel land damages.

taking of land for the construction of the Dorchester tunnel in the city of Boston;

Land sold
for taxes, —
redemption.

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 161) of Arthur S. Davis and another relative to the redemption of land taken or sold for non-payment of taxes; and

Metropolitan
Water and
Sewerage
Board, —
extension
of service.

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the message from the Governor (recommitted) transmitting a budget containing a statement of all proposed expenditures of the Commonwealth for the fiscal year 1919 (House, No. 185) as relates to the completion by the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board of the Wellesley extension of the high level sewer, and to the laying by said board of a pipe-line in Poplar Street, West Roxbury, a pipe-line for Lexington, and a water-main to East Boston;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Message from
the Governor,
— lease of Nor-
folk State
Hospital to
Federal gov-
ernment.

A message from His Excellency the Governor recommending that the Governor and Council be authorized to lease the land and buildings of the Norfolk State Hospital to the Federal government for a term not exceeding five years (House, No. 1856), — was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Institutions.

Cambridge
subway, —
purchase by
State.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate Bill providing for the purchase by the Commonwealth of the Cambridge subway, its appurtenances and connections (Senate, No. 552, amended), had been rejected by the House.

Hugh Nawn
Contracting
Company.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1837) of James J. Mellen that the Commonwealth be authorized to compensate and reimburse the Hugh Nawn Contracting Company; and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Committee on
Social Welfare,
— investigation
of increases
in the price
of coal.

The following House order was considered, to wit: —

Ordered, That the committee on Social Welfare be directed to investigate the recent increase in the price of coal in this Commonwealth. The committee may, if it deems it necessary, hold public hearings, may administer oaths, require the attendance of witnesses and the production of books and documents, may employ a stenographer and incur necessary expenses for travel or otherwise. The committee shall make a report, with such recommendations as it may deem expedient, to the General Court on or before the fifteenth day of June in the current year.

On motion of Mr. Cavanagh, the order was amended by striking out the word "fifteenth", and inserting in place thereof the word "twenty-third".

Pending the question on adopting the order, in concurrence, with the amendment, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, at the request of Mr. Reed.

The following House order was adopted, in concurrence: —

Ordered, That, conformably to the provisions of Article XLVIII of the Amendments to the Constitution, a joint session of the two Houses be held on Thursday, June 19, at 2.30 o'clock, P.M., for the purpose of considering further the proposal for a legislative amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth authorizing the General Court to classify property for purposes of taxation.

Joint session of the two Houses, — constitutional amendment; classification of property for purposes of taxation.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first four of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

To provide for the appointment of deputy assistant clerks of courts;

Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

Relative to the office force of the district attorney for the Suffolk district;

Relative to the salaries of the inspection force of the Commissioner of Standards;

To authorize the town of Shrewsbury to purchase certain land from the city of Worcester for school purposes;

To regulate appropriations by the school-committee of the city of Boston; and

To authorize the trustees of the Norfolk County Agricultural School to acquire land and construct certain buildings.

An engrossed Resolve granting a county tax for the county of Norfolk (which originated in the House), — was passed and, with the above-named bills, was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Resolve passed, etc.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Report of the committee on Election Laws, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 142) of Robert J. Bottomly relative to the time for filing nomination papers for certain candidates for public office, — was considered, the main question being on accepting it.

Nomination papers.

The Senate adopted the pending amendment previously moved by Mr. Hobbs, — that a "Bill relative to the time for filing nomination papers for certain candidates" (Senate, No. 142), be substituted; and, accordingly, the bill was substituted; and it was read and, under the rule, was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

The Senate Bill to regulate the use of aircraft (Senate, No. 593), — was passed to be engrossed.

Aircraft.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Resolve providing for investigation by the State Board of Charity relative to State provision for the care of settled persons suffering from incurable diseases (printed as

Persons affected with incurable diseases, — commitment.

House, No. 1779), — was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Dahlborg moved that the resolve be amended by substituting a "Bill relative to the commitment of certain persons afflicted with incurable diseases" (printed as House, No. 1587); and this amendment was rejected, by a vote of 11 to 12.

The resolve was then ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the resolve was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read as follows: "Resolve providing for investigation by the State Board of Charity relative to the care and treatment by the Commonwealth of certain persons suffering from incurable diseases."

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of Mr. Beck.

Massachusetts
soldiers and
sailors, —
suitable recog-
nition for
services.

The House Bill to provide suitable recognition for the services of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the army and navy of the United States during the war with Germany (House, No. 1803), — was read a second time.

The following pending amendments, previously recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, were severally adopted, to wit:—

In section 1, striking out, in line 4, the words "who served"; and adding after the word "Germany", in line 5, the words " , to the full extent of the demands made upon them and of their opportunity,"; and

In section 2, striking out, in lines 28, 29 and 30, the words "or whose service was exclusively in the army, marine, naval or other unit of the Student Army Training Corps"; and inserting after the word "service", in line 30, the words "or relieved from active duty and not recalled to the colors".

By a vote of 7 to 16, the Senate rejected the pending amendment in section 2, recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, — striking out, in line 10, the words "not including".

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

Police, district
and municipal
courts, —
salaries.

The Senate Bill to establish the salaries of justices, clerks and assistant clerks of police, district and municipal courts (Senate, No. 483), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 5, by inserting after the word "readjusted", in line 6, the words "in the year following such National or State census"; and by striking out, in line 11, the words "census is taken", and inserting in place thereof the words "readjustment is made"; and in section 7, by inserting after the word "as", in line 11, the word "first"; and by inserting after the word "computed", in line 12, the words "in accordance with the State census in the year nineteen hundred and fifteen and shall be".

These amendments were adopted.

The bill, as amended (Senate, No. 607), was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill relative to the salary of the Deputy Tax Commissioner (Senate, No. 588), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Senate bill.

Send down for concurrence.

The House Bill to authorize the city of Lynn to pay a pension to Annie Welch (House, No. 1829), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. House bill.

The Senate Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 101) of Augustus P. Loring relative to regulating the attachment of certain kinds of personal property, — was considered, the question being on accepting it. Personal property, — attachment.

Mr. Loring moved that the report be amended by substituting a "Bill relative to attachments of personal property" (Senate, No. 601).

Pending this amendment and pending the main question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of the same Senator.

The Senate Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 766) of Francis M. Ryder relative to proceedings in the attachment of property on mesne process or trustee process, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Loring. Mesne process, — proceedings.

On motion of Mr. McLane, at twenty-seven minutes past one o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, June 16, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Bills Recalled from the Governor.

Second-hand
motor-vehicles,
— purchase
and sale.

On motion of Mr. Finkel, it was voted that a message be sent to His Excellency the Governor requesting the return to the Senate of the engrossed Bill to regulate the purchase and sale of second-hand motor-vehicles and parts thereof (which originated in the Senate) (see Senate, No. 512, amended).

Mr. Finkel was appointed the messenger. Subsequently, the bill was returned and was laid before the Senate. There being no objection, on motion of the same Senator, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at a previous session, it had passed the bill to be enacted.

On further motions of Mr. Finkel, Senate Rule No. 49 was suspended and the bill was amended in section 3, by striking out the last word of the fifth sentence, and inserting in place thereof the words "Massachusetts Highway Commission, hereinafter called the commission"; and by striking out, in the sixth sentence of the same section the words "Massachusetts Highway", before the word "commission", where it first occurs; and also by striking out after the said word "commission", the words "hereinafter called the commission."

Sent down for concurrence in the amendments.

Town laws, —
revision and
codification.

On motion of Mr. Finkel, it was voted that a message be sent to His Excellency the Governor requesting the return to the Senate of the engrossed Bill to provide for the appointment of a commission to complete the work of revising and codifying the laws relating to towns (which originated in the House) (see Senate, No. 564).

Mr. Finkel was appointed the messenger. Subsequently, the bill was returned and was laid before the Senate. There being no objection, on motion of the same Senator, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at a previous session, it had passed the bill to be enacted.

On further motions of Mr. Finkel, Senate Rule No. 49 was suspended and the bill was amended in section 1, by inserting after the word "court", in the second sentence thereof, the words "and file the report with the clerk of the Senate."

Sent down for concurrence in the amendment.

Reports of Committees.

Colleges, —
granting of
degrees.

By Mr. Churchill, for the committee on Education, on the report of the special recess commission on Education (Senate, No. 330) (in part, see Senate, No. 397), a Bill relative to the

granting of degrees by colleges and other institutions of learning (Senate, No. 603);

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the report of the special recess commission on Education (Senate, No. 330) (in part, see Senate, No. 393), a Bill relative to attendance at schools in places other than residence (Senate, No. 602);

Schools, — attendance in places other than residence.

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, for the reason that the subject-matter thereof had been covered in a bill previously reported, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 177) of Edward A. Lamb and others that certain towns be exempted from the provisions of law establishing a minimum salary for public school-teachers;

Public school-teachers, — minimum salary.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 913) of George S. Haddock and another for the exemption of certain minors from attendance at continuation schools; and

Minors, — attendance at continuation schools.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, no further legislation necessary:

On so much of the Governor's Address (Senate, No. 1) as relates to the "Protection of Recent Arrivals;" and

Governor's Address, — protection of recent arrivals. Special recess commission on Education, — report.

On the report of the special recess commission on Education (Senate, No. 330);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

By Mr. Eames, for the Senate committee on Rules, that the following Senate Order ought to be adopted, to wit: —

Whereas, There are pending before the General Court certain bills providing for the regulation of advertising on public ways, in public places and on private property within public view, to wit, Senate Bill numbered 227 and House Bills numbered 629, 835, 1062 and 1063, copies of which are hereto annexed, and

Opinions of Justices of Supreme Judicial Court, — advertising in public places.

Whereas, Grave doubt exists as to the extent of the powers of the Legislature in respect to the subject-matter of these bills, especially as affected by Article L of the Amendments to the Constitution, therefore be it

Ordered, That the opinions of the Honorable the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court be required by the Senate on the following important question of law: —

Would any or all of said bills be unconstitutional in whole or in part, if enacted into law?

Read and the order considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Beck, and adopted.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Hastings, the Resolve relative to the retirement of Frank H. Hardison (Senate, No. 163), — was taken from the table and considered; and, pending the question on ordering

Frank H. Hardison.

the resolve to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of the same Senator.

Boston, —
public de-
fender in
municipal
courts.

On motion of Mr. Mahoney, the House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 46) of John J. Mahoney that the office of public defender be established in the municipal courts of the city of Boston, — was taken from the table and considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of the same Senator.

Treasurer and
Receiver-
General, —
salary.

On motion of Mr. Beck, the House Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 66) of James D. Henderson that the salary of the Treasurer and Receiver-General be established, — was taken from the table and considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of the same Senator.

Auditor of
the Com-
monwealth.
— salary.

On motion of Mr. Beck, the House Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 67) of James D. Henderson that the salary of the Auditor of the Commonwealth be established, — was taken from the table and considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of the same Senator.

Motor-vehicles,
— security
against
damage.

On motion of Mr. Kearney, the Senate Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 261) of Leland Powers relative to providing security to the public for injuries and damage caused by motor-vehicles, — was taken from the table and considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Wednesday, on motion of the same Senator.

Compulsory
registration
and balloting.

On motion of Mr. Loring, the Bill relative to compulsory registration and balloting (printed as House, No. 747), — was taken from the table and considered; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of the same Senator.

Bill Ordered Printed.

On motion of Mr. Finkel, —

Boston, —
housing of
the people.

Voted, That two hundred copies of a "Bill relative to the housing of the people in the city of Boston," be printed for the use of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Petition.

Mr. McLane presented a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 604) of Joseph C. Pelletier for legislation regulating the sale of alcohol other than intoxicating liquor; and the petition was referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by the same Senator, to the committee on Legal Affairs.

Alcohol, —
regulation
of sales.

Sent down for concurrence.

Orders Adopted.

Mr. Beck offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —

Ordered, That the time within which the following joint committees are required, under the provisions of the 10th joint rule, to make final report upon all matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended to Monday, June 23, to wit: —

Joint com-
mittees, —
reports.

Judiciary, Legal Affairs, Taxation and Ways and Means.

Subsequently, the same Senator, for the joint committee on Rules, reported that the order ought to be adopted; and it was considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McLane, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Beck: —

Ordered, That the Senate meet on Tuesday, June 17, at eleven o'clock A.M.

Senate, —
hour of
meeting
June 17.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill relative to registration fees for motor trucks, trailers and commercial motor vehicles (House, No. 1855, — on the report of the special commission relative thereto, House, No. 1450, in part) (Mr. Nelson of Worcester, of the House, dissenting), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Motor trucks,
trailers and
commercial
vehicles, —
registration
fees.

The message from the Governor relative to the appointment of a special commission to investigate the prices of the necessities of life (Senate, No. 600) (referred by the Senate to the committee on Reconstruction), — came, up, referred, in non-concurrence, to the committee on Administration and Commissions.

Message from
the Governor,
— special com-
mission to
investigate
prices of
necessaries
of life.

The Senate receded from its reference, on motion of Mr. Hobbs, and concurred in the reference to the committee on Administration and Commissions.

Notice was received from the House that the following Senate resolves and bill had severally been referred by the House to the next General Court: —

Resolve to reimburse the Westfield Camping Club for the construction of a fish screen (Senate, No. 73);

Westfield
Camping
Club, —
fish screen.

Resolve to reimburse Ralph S. Bauer for the construction of a fish screen (Senate, No. 144); and

Ralph S.
Bauer, —
fish screen.
Mount Grace
State Forest.

Bill to establish Mount Grace as a State Forest (Senate, No. 584).

House petitions and resolutions were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

Boston, —
improvement
of Canterbury
and Walk Hill
streets.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1857) of Frank B. Phinney that the city of Boston be authorized to take certain land of the Boston State Hospital and of certain cemetery corporations for the improvement of Canterbury and Walk Hill streets;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Cities.

Lithuanian
independence.

Resolutions in favor of Lithuanian independence (House, No. 1834);

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Federal Relations.

Real estate, —
evidence as to
market value.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1835) of Henry C. Attwill relative to evidence as to the market value of real estate taken or injured under authority of law; and

Aliens, —
possession of
weapons and
explosives.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1858) of the chiefs of police of the cities of Cambridge and Somerville that the possession by aliens of dangerous weapons, ammunition, bombs and explosives be prohibited;

Severally, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, in each instance, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Inman Square
Amusement
Company.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1836) of Michael A. O'Leary that the powers and privileges of the Inman Square Amusement Company be revived;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Lowell, —
indebtedness
for school
purposes.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1844) of John H. Lambert and others that the city of Lowell be authorized to incur indebtedness for a building for high school purposes;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Municipal Finance.

Bristol County,
— additional
assistance for
register of
probate.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1758) of Guilford C. Hathaway that the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Bristol be authorized to expend an additional sum for clerical assistance;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Public Service.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To provide for the licensing and regulation of private detectives;

To permit the selectmen of the town of Mashpee to expend certain trust funds;

To regulate transactions relating to the purchase and sale of securities and commodities; and

To authorize the cities of Taunton and Attleboro and the towns of Norton and Mansfield to acquire and operate the Norton, Taunton and Attleboro Street Railway.

The following House order, the consideration of which had been postponed from the preceding session, at the request of Mr. Reed, was adopted, in concurrence, with the amendment previously adopted by the Senate, to wit: —

Ordered, That the committee on Social Welfare be directed to investigate the recent increase in the price of coal in this Commonwealth. The committee may, if it deems it necessary, hold public hearings, may administer oaths, require the attendance of witnesses and the production of books and documents, may employ a stenographer and incur necessary expenses for travel or otherwise. The committee shall make a report, with such recommendations as it may deem expedient, to the General Court on or before the [twenty-third] day of June in the current year.

Committee on Social Welfare, — investigation of increases in the price of coal.

Sent down for concurrence in the amendment.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 101) of Augustus P. Loring relative to regulating the attachment of certain kinds of personal property, — was considered, the main question being on accepting it.

Personal property, — attachment.

The Senate rejected the pending amendment, previously moved by Mr. Loring, — that a "Bill relative to attachments of personal property" (Senate, No. 601), be substituted.

The report was then accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 766) of Francis M. Ryder relative to proceedings in the attachment of property on mesne process or trustee process, — was accepted.

Mesne process, — proceedings.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill relative to the time for filing nomination papers for certain candidates (Senate, No. 142), — was read a second time and was amended, on motion of Mr. Hobbs, by striking out, in line 28, the word "twenty-fifth", and inserting in place thereof the word "twenty-first". The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

Nomination papers.

The Bill relative to compulsory school attendance (Senate, No. 598), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. McLane, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Wednesday.

Compulsory school attendance.

Commonwealth lands in South Boston, — ceding to Federal government.

The House Bill granting the consent of the Commonwealth to the purchase by the United States and ceding jurisdiction of certain lands in Boston (printed in House, No. 1775), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read as follows: "An Act granting the consent of the Commonwealth to the purchase by the United States of certain lands in South Boston, and ceding jurisdiction thereover."

On further motion of Mr. Beck, the bill was amended by prefixing before the enacting clause the following words:

"Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would defeat its purpose, accordingly it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary to the immediate preservation of the public convenience."

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Neponset River, — temporary bridge between Boston and Quincy.

The House Bill to authorize the maintenance of a temporary bridge over Neponset River in the cities of Boston and Quincy, and to cede certain land to the United States (House, No. 1787), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Massachusetts Bureau of Prisons, — salaries of agents.

The House Bill relative to the salaries of agents of the Massachusetts Bureau of Prisons (House, No. 1811), — was read a second time and was amended, as had been previously recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, by adding the following new section: "SECTION 3. The increases in salary provided for by this act shall not take effect until an appropriation has been made sufficient to cover the same, and then as of the first day of June in the current year".

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Great ponds, — water supply resources.

The House Resolve providing for an investigation by the State Department of Health and the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board relative to water supply needs and resources and to the use of great ponds (House, No. 1607, amended), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the resolve was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

The House Resolve providing for an investigation as to the feasibility of constructing a bridge or a traffic tunnel connecting Boston and East Boston (House, No. 1812), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the resolve was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Boston and East Boston, — bridge or traffic tunnel.

The House Resolve authorizing the Metropolitan Park Commission to make certain payments to the wife of James B. Ellis of Everett (House, No. 1814), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the resolve was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Metropolitan Park Commission, — wife of James B. Ellis.

The bills

Relative to hunting and fishing licenses (Senate, No. 599);

Relative to the taxation of persons engaged in the business of dealing in intangible personal property (House, No. 1842); and

To authorize the appointment of an assistant clerk of the legislative document division (House, No. 1839); and

The Resolve providing for an investigation as to the transfer of the State Prison to the State Farm at Bridgewater (House, No. 1810);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill to establish the salaries of clerks and assistant clerks of courts (Senate, No. 484), — was read a third time, as previously amended.

Clerks of Courts, — salaries.

Mr. Hobbs moved that the bill be amended in section 4 (section 3, as printed and amended), by striking out the word "fifty-five" (inserted in line 2 in place of the word "fifty", stricken out), and inserting in place thereof the word "sixty."

Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden moved that the bill be amended in section 3 (section 2, as printed and amended), by striking out the word "sixty-five" (inserted in line 2, in place of the word "fifty-five", stricken out), and inserting in place thereof the word "seventy-five"; in section 4 (section 3, as printed and amended), by striking out the word "fifty-five" (inserted in line 2, in place of the word "fifty", stricken out), and inserting in place thereof the word "sixty-five"; and by adding at the end of section 4 (section 3, as printed and amended) the words "No distinction shall be made against assistants appointed for one year."

Pending these amendments and pending the main question on passing the bill, as previously amended, to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. McLane.

The Senate Bill to authorize the city of Lynn to accept in trust a conveyance of the Grand Army Building in said city (printed as House, No. 1680), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported,

Lynn, — Grand Army Building

recommending that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 606).

This amendment was adopted.

The bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 606), was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

House bill.

The House Bill relative to the termination of tenancies at will (House, No. 1815), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

**Municipal
storekeepers
and foremen,
compensation
for injuries.**

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 60) of M. F. O'Brien, president of the Federation of State, City and Town Employees' Unions, that the provisions of the workmen's compensation act be extended to storekeepers and foremen employed by cities and towns, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Kearney.

The House reports

House reports.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 161) of Arthur S. Davis and another relative to the redemption of land taken or sold for nonpayment of taxes;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1281) of George K. Farrell relative to the assessment of damages for the taking of land for the construction of the Dorchester tunnel in the city of Boston; and

Of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the message from the Governor transmitting a budget containing a statement of all proposed expenditures of the Commonwealth for the fiscal year 1919 (House, No. 185) as relates to the completion by the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board of the Wellesley extension of the high level sewer, and to the laying by said board of a pipe-line in Poplar street, West Roxbury, a pipe-line for Lexington, and a water main to East Boston;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Beck, at sixteen minutes past four o'clock p.m., the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock a.m.

TUESDAY, June 17, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reconsideration.

On motion of Mr. Loring, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had accepted the Senate Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 101) of Augustus P. Loring relative to regulating the attachment of certain kinds of personal property.

Personal property, — attachment.

On further motion of the same Senator, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which it had rejected the amendment, previously moved by Mr. Loring, that a "Bill relative to attachments of personal property" (Senate, No. 601), be substituted.

Pending the recurring question on adopting the amendment and pending the main question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Reed.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 66) of James D. Henderson that the salary of the Treasurer and Receiver-General be established, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of Mr. McLane.

Treasurer and Receiver-General, — salary.

The House Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 67) of James D. Henderson that the salary of the Auditor of the Commonwealth be established, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of Mr. McLane.

Auditor of the Commonwealth, — salary.

The Bill relative to compulsory registration and balloting (printed as House, No. 747), — was considered; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Hobbs.

Compulsory registration and balloting.

The Senate Bill to establish the salaries of clerks and assistant clerks of courts (Senate, No. 484), — was considered, as pre-

Clerks of courts, — salaries.

viously amended, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The Senate adopted the pending amendment, in section 4 (section 3, as printed and amended), previously moved by Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, — striking out the word “fifty-five” (inserted in line 2, in place of the word “fifty”, stricken out), and inserting in place thereof the word “sixty-five”.

The adoption of the foregoing amendment precluded the putting of the question on the amendment previously moved by Mr. Hobbs.

The Senate also adopted the following pending amendments, previously moved by Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, — in section 3 (section 2, as printed and amended), by striking out the word “sixty-five” (inserted in line 2, in place of the word “fifty-five”, stricken out), and inserting in place thereof the word “seventy-five”; and adding at the end of section 4 (section 3, as printed and amended) the words “No distinction shall be made against assistants appointed for one year.”

The bill, as amended (see Senate, No. 608), was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. McLane.

Municipal
storekeepers
and foremen, —
compensation
for injuries.

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 60) of M. F. O'Brien, president of the Federation of State, City and Town Employees' Unions, that the provisions of the Workmen's Compensation Act be extended to storekeepers and foremen employed by cities and towns, — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

Mr. Halliwell moved that the further consideration of the report be postponed until the next session; and, this motion was negatived.

The report was then accepted, in concurrence.

Bill.

The Bill relative to the granting of degrees by colleges and other institutions of learning (Senate, No. 603), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Nomination
papers.

The Senate Bill relative to the time for filing nomination papers for certain candidates (Senate, No. 142), — was read a third time, as previously amended. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by inserting before the enacting clause the following preamble: —

“Whereas, It is important that this act take effect forthwith in order that its provisions may apply to the state election for the current year, accordingly, it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the preservation of the public convenience.”; and by adding at the end thereof the following

new section: — "SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage."

These amendments were adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. McLane.

The House Bill to authorize the appointment of an assistant clerk of the legislative document division (House, No. 1839); and House bill.

The House Resolve providing for an investigation as to the transfer of the State Prison to the State Farm at Bridgewater (House, No. 1810); House resolve.

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, in each instance, on motion of Mr. McLane.

The Senate Report of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, for the reason that the subject-matter thereof has been covered in a bill previously reported, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 177) of Edward A. Lamb and others that certain towns be exempted from the provisions of law establishing a minimum salary for public school teachers, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of Mr. Tarbell. Public school-teachers, — minimum salary.

The Senate reports

Of the committee on Education, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's Address (Senate, No. 1) as relates to the Protection of Recent Arrivals; Senate reports.

Of the committee on Education, no further legislation necessary, on the Report of the Special Recess Commission on Education (Senate, No. 330); and

Of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 913) of George S. Haddock and another for the exemption of certain minors from attendance at continuation schools;

Were severally accepted.

Severally sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, in each instance, on motion of Mr. McLane.

On motion of Mr. Brown, at twenty-nine minutes before twelve o'clock A.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, June 18, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reports of Committees.*Amendment
of the Federal
Constitution, —
Woman
Suffrage.

By Mr. Halliwell, for the committee on Federal Relations, on the message from the Governor relative thereto (Senate, No. 589), Resolutions ratifying the proposed Amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to extending the right of suffrage to women (Senate, No. 609) (Mr. Nichols, of the Senate, dissenting);

Read, and the resolutions placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on adopting them.

Personal
property, —
sales at
auction.

By Mr. Walsh, for the committee on Legal Affairs, that the recommitted Senate Bill relative to sales at auction of personal property (Senate, No. 458), — ought NOT to pass;

Read, and the bill placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on rejecting it.

Boston, —
reorganization
and consolida-
tion of depart-
ments.

By Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, on the petition of Andrew J. Peters (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1594), a Bill to authorize the reorganization and consolidation of certain departments of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 610);

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Committee of
conference, —
disposition of
uniforms used
by the State
Guard.

By Mr. Read, for the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches with reference to the Senate Bill relative to the disposition of the uniforms used by the State Guard (Senate, No. 514, amended), — recommending that the Senate recede from its non-concurrence in the House amendment and concur therein;

Read and, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Reed, considered forthwith, and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

*Taken from the Table.*Minors, —
hunters' and
trappers'
licenses.

On motion of Mr. Churchill, the Senate Report of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 180) of George B. Churchill relative to the granting of hunters' and trappers' licenses to minors, — was taken from the table; and the report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

To establish the salaries of sheriffs in certain counties (House, No. 1818, — new draft of the recommitted House Bill printed as Senate, No. 205); and Sheriffs, — salaries.

To establish the salaries of the messengers of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court and of the Superior Court in the county of Suffolk (House, No. 1832, — new draft of Senate Bill No. 516); and Suffolk County, — salaries of court messengers.

A Resolve providing for a further extension of time for the improvement of navigation of the Merrimack River from the sea to Hunt's Falls at Lowell (House, No. 930, on the petition of Victor Francis Jewett); Merrimack River, — improvement of navigation.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill to revive the corporation known as Stratton Garage, Inc. (House, No. 1789, amended, — on the petition of Alvin E. Bliss and others), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading. Stratton Garage, Inc.

The Senate Bill to regulate the mileage allowance of members and certain employees of the General Court (Senate, No. 469), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments in section 1, inserting after the words "assistant door-keeper", in line 2, the words "postmaster and assistant postmaster"; and inserting after the word "thereof", in line 3, the words ", and the clerk and assistant clerks in the legislative document room,". Members and employees of the General Court, — additional mileage.

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Loring, and the amendments were considered forthwith and were adopted, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

The Senate Resolve to provide for an investigation by a special commission as to the training of disabled soldiers and sailors and of related matters (Senate, No. 375) (its title having been changed in the House), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out, in lines 12, 13 and 14, the words "may expend such sums, not exceeding one thousand dollars, as the Governor and Council may approve", and inserting in place thereof the words "with the approval of the Governor and Council may expend such sums not exceeding one thousand dollars as may hereafter be appropriated". Disabled soldiers and sailors, — training.

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Loring, and the amendment was considered forthwith and was adopted, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

The engrossed Bill relative to the removal of attorneys-at-law (see House, No. 1668) (which had been returned to the House by His Excellency the Governor with a recommendation that amendments specified by him be made therein, see House, No. 1848), — came up, amended as follows: By inserting after Attorneys-at-law, — removal.

the word "Attorney-General", in lines 5 and 6 and in 16 (of the bill as printed), respectively, the words "or such person as he may designate with the approval of the court; *provided*, such person so appointed, if he be other than an assistant Attorney-General, shall receive no compensation for his services".

Under the rule, the amendments were placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on adopting them, in concurrence.

Bill Enacted.

Bill enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

An engrossed Bill to authorize the town of Walpole to borrow money for the purpose of constructing and equipping school buildings (which originated in the House), — was passed to be enacted and was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Motor-vehicles,
— security
against
damage.

The Senate Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 261) of Leland Powers relative to providing security to the public for injuries and damage caused by motor-vehicles, — was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck.

Id.

The Senate Bill to provide for the protection of persons and property in case of injuries due to the careless operation of motor-vehicles (Senate, No. 190), — was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Nason, the bill was amended by substituting a "Resolve to provide for an investigation relative to providing financial security to the public for injuries or damage resulting from motor-vehicle accidents" (Senate, No. 605). The chair announced that, under the rule, the bill as amended by the substitution of the resolve (Senate, No. 605), would be placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on ordering the latter to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Nason (Senate Rule No. 31 being suspended, by unanimous consent) and the resolve was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Compulsory
registration
and balloting.

The Senate Bill relative to compulsory registration and balloting (printed as House, No. 747), — was considered; and by a vote of 6 to 18, the Senate refused to order it to a third reading.

Personal
property, —
attachment.

The Senate Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 101) of Augustus P. Loring relative to regulating the attachment of certain kinds of personal property, — was considered, the main question being on accepting it.

The recurring question on adopting the amendment, previously moved by Mr. Loring, — that a "Bill relative to attachments of personal property" (Senate, No. 601), be substituted, — was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Eames, Edward B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
McLane, Walter E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 12.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Colburn, Arthur W.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John

Messrs. Hardy, Walter A.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
Nason, Arthur L.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 21.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. Charles S. Smith,
Mr. Malcolm E. Nichols (present),

NAYS.

Mr. James F. Cavanagh (present).
Mr. Edward A. Counihan, Jr. — 4.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. Leonard F. Hardy,

Mr. Harold L. Perrin. — 2.

So the amendment was rejected.

The report was then accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Bill relative to compulsory school attendance (Senate, No. 598), — was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 14 to 5.

Compulsory
school
attendance.

The House Bill to provide suitable recognition of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the army and navy of the United States during the war with Germany (House, No. 1803) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time, as previously amended by the Senate. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be further amended as follows: In section 1, by striking out, in line 6, the word "gratuities", and inserting in place thereof the word "payments"; and by striking out, in the same line, the word "granted", and inserting in place thereof the word "authorized"; and in section 9, by striking out, in lines 6 and 7, the words "a term not exceeding five years", and inserting in place thereof the words "such terms as the Governor shall recommend to the General Court in accordance with section three of Article LXII of the amendments to the Constitution"; and by striking out,

Soldiers and
sailors, —
suitable
recognition.

in line 31, the words "payment of gratuities", and inserting in place thereof the words "payments hereby authorized".

These amendments were adopted.

Mr. Winchester moved that the bill be amended in section 2, by inserting after the word "corps", in line 19, the words "and also citizens of Massachusetts, who, following rejection by a draft board or upon an attempt to enlist, enlisted and served in the army or navy of a nation associated with the United States in the war, and citizens of Massachusetts who so enlisted and served prior to the declaration of war by the United States"; and this amendment was rejected.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the several amendments, which were sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. McLane.

Senate bill.

The Senate Bill relative to hunting and fishing licenses (Senate, No. 599), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck.

On motion of Mr. Beck, at eighteen minutes past four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, June 19, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Bill Recalled from the Governor.

On motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, it was voted that a message be sent to His Excellency the Governor requesting the return to the Senate of the engrossed Bill to provide for the licensing and regulation of private detectives (which originated in the Senate) (see Senate, No. 550, amended).

Private
detectives, —
licensing.

Mr. Hardy was appointed the messenger. Subsequently, the bill was returned and was laid before the Senate. There being no objection, on motion of the same Senator, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at a previous session, it had passed the bill to be enacted.

On further motions of Mr. Hardy, Senate Rule No. 49 was suspended and the bill was amended by striking out section 10.

Sent down for concurrence in the amendment.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Resolve providing for a further extension of time for the improvement of navigation of the Merrimack River from the sea to Hunt's Falls at Lowell (House, No. 930), ought to pass;

Merrimack
River, —
improvement
of navigation.

By Mr. Churchill, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill relative to attendance at schools in places other than residence (Senate, No. 602), ought to pass; and

School
attendance.

By Mr. Curran, for the same committee, that the House Bill relative to the compensation of certain employees of the counties of the Commonwealth and of the court officers of the municipal court of the city of Boston (House, No. 1813), ought to pass;

County
employees, —
compensation.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session session for a second reading.

By Mr. Gifford, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to provide for the travelling expenses of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts (Senate, No. 594), ought to pass with amendments, striking out, in line 6, the word "travelling", and the word "actually"; and adding the following new sections: — "SECTION 2. Retired Justices of either court who hold court in places where they do not reside shall receive their expenses while holding court. SECTION 3. This act shall take effect on the first day of July, nineteen hundred and nineteen."; and

Justices of
Supreme
Judicial and
Superior
Courts, —
travelling
expenses.

Lieutenant-Governor, — salary.

By Mr. McLane, for the same committee, that the House Bill to establish the salary of the Lieutenant-Governor of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1688, amended), ought to pass with an amendment striking out section 2 (inserted by amendment by the House) and inserting in place thereof the following: — "SECTION 2. The compensation established by this act shall be allowed from the first day of January, nineteen hundred and twenty.";

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading, with the amendments pending.

Mothers, — protection during maternity period.

By Mr. Gifford, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to protect mothers and children during the maternity period (Senate, No. 488), ought to pass in a new draft of the same title (Senate, No. 612); and

State House, — additional watchmen.

By Mr. McLane, for the joint committee on Ways and Means, on the petition of Walter E. McLane, a Bill to authorize the Sergeant-at-Arms to employ additional watchmen at the State House (Senate, No. 582, — changed by the committee in section 1, by striking out the word "dollars", in line 3, and inserting in place thereof the words "eleven hundred dollars a year each");

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Newton and Brookline, — boundary line.

Relative to the boundary line between the city of Newton and the town of Brookline (House, No. 1737, on the petition of Abbott B. Rice);

Disputed boundaries, — determination.

To provide for the determination of disputed boundaries between counties, cities, towns or districts (House, No. 1853, — on the petition of Philip Nichols, accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 80); and

Real estate taken for taxes, — liens.

Relative to the liens of cities and towns on real estate taken for non-payment of taxes (House, No. 1854, — on the petition of Arthur S. Davis and another, accompanied by bill, House, No. 160);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Reports

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court:

Industrial accidents, — additional methods of compensation.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 75) of Frank F. Dresser that provision be made for additional methods of guaranteeing compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Act; and on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 937) of Carlton W. Wonson for additional methods of guaranteeing compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Act (Mr. Curtin, of the Senate, and Messrs. Barry, Hull and Gould, of the House, dissenting);

Town Neck in Sandwich, — partition of land.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 14) of Carrie B. Pope and others for the sale of rights of unknown owners in

land at Town Neck in the town of Sandwich and the partition of said land among the owners thereof; and

On so much of the report of the special commission which was directed to consider all matters relative to the control, custody and treatment of defectives, delinquents, feeble-minded persons, persons suffering from excessive use of alcohol or drugs, criminals and misdemeanants (House, No. 1403) as relates to ascertaining the mental condition of persons coming before certain courts of the Commonwealth;

Persons coming before the courts, — mental condition.

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw:

On the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 148) of John J. Kearney for amendment of the requirements as to "notice of injury" under the Workmen's Compensation Act; on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 185) of John Halliwell that the Industrial Accident Board be authorized to allow compensation if the notice of injury is filed within one year from the date thereof; on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 474) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for an amendment of the Workmen's Compensation Act regulating the time within which notice of injury shall be made and the time when compensations shall begin; on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 601) of E. M. Shanley relative to notice by employees of injuries received in the course of their employment; and on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1045) of Robert E. Bigney relative to the notice to be given to employees under the provision of the law providing compensation for persons injured in industrial accidents;

Industrial accidents, — notice of injury.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 259) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for the establishment of a State insurance fund and for compulsory participation in the workmen's compensation law by employers; and on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 936) of Carlton W. Wonson for the establishment of a State insurance fund and for compulsory participation by employers in the Workmen's Compensation Act;

Workmen's compensation, — State insurance fund.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 763) of William H. McDonnell relative to the responsibility of registered owners of motor-vehicles for injury to others;

Owners of motor-vehicles, — responsibility for injuries.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 938) of Carlton W. Wonson relative to liens of workmen and subcontractors for labor and materials on buildings and lands;

Workmen and subcontractors, — liens for labor and materials.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1047) of David W. Murray that the writing of workmen's compensation insurance by liability insurance companies be prohibited and that a Massachusetts company be incorporated for this purpose; and

Industrial accidents, — insurance by a special company.

On the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1343) of William M. Mason relative to the partition of interests in land held in joint tenancy or tenancy in common;

Land held in joint tenancy, — partition of interests.

Of the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on the report of the special recess committee on Workmen's Compensation appointed (under an order of the General Court of

Special recess committee on Workmen's Compensation, — report.

Industrial accidents, — responsibility of employees; approval of insurance rates.

1918) to consider the problems of protecting workmen against industrial accidents, the waiver by disabled employees of their rights under the Workmen's Compensation Act, and generally the administration and operation of the laws relative to workmen's compensation (Senate, No. 334); and

Of the same committee, no legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the Insurance Commissioner (House, No. 362) as relates to the responsibility of employers for the payment of benefits, and to the authority of the Insurance Commissioner in the approval of workmen's compensation insurance rates (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 367 and 368);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (both of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

To provide for an additional assistant clerk of the Superior Court for civil business for the county of Suffolk; and

To establish the salary of William H. Sanger as assistant clerk of the Senate and the salary of Frank E. Bridgman as assistant clerk of the House of Representatives.

Joint Session of the Two Houses to consider a Proposal for a Specific Legislative Amendment of the Constitution.

Joint session of two Houses to consider proposal for specific legislative amendment of the Constitution.

At half past two o'clock P.M., pursuant to assignment, the two Houses met in

JOINT SESSION

for the purpose of considering further the following:

Proposal for a Legislative Amendment to the Constitution authorizing the General Court to classify Property for Purposes of Taxation.

1 . A joint session of the Senate and House of Representatives
2 hereby declares it to be expedient to alter the Constitution
3 by the adoption of the following article of amendment to
4 the end that it may become a part of the Constitution, if
5 similarly agreed to in a joint session of the next General
6 Court and approved by the people at the State election
7 next following.

ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT.

8 Full power and authority are hereby given and granted
9 to the General Court to impose and levy a tax on personal
10 property in the manner hereinafter provided. Such tax
11 may be levied at different rates upon different classes of
12 such property, but shall be levied at a uniform rate through-
13 out the Commonwealth upon the same class of such property.
14 Any class of such property which is taxed under the pro-

15 visions of this article may be exempted from the imposition
 16 and levying of proportional and reasonable assessments,
 17 rates and taxes as at present authorized by the Constitution.
 18 This article shall not be construed to limit the power of the
 19 General Court to impose and levy reasonable duties and
 20 excises.

The Amendment was read a third time and was considered, the question being on agreeing thereto.

The Senator from Suffolk, Mr. Beck, moved that debate be closed at half-past three o'clock P.M. unless a vote should be sooner reached; and this motion prevailed.

The time for debate having expired, the question on agreeing to the Amendment was taken by a call of the yeas and nays as required by Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.

Senators.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
 Chamberlain, George D.
 Churchill, George B.
 Curtin, John A.
 Dahlborg, Edward N.
 Eames, Edward B.
 Finkel, Samuel B.
 Gifford, Charles L.
 Halliwell, John
 Hardy, Leonard F.
 Hardy, Walter A.
 Hastings, George A.
 Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
 Knox, Joseph O.
 Loring, Augustus P.
 Nason, Arthur L.
 Nichols, Malcolm E.
 Perrin, Harold L.
 Prescott, Francis
 Reed, Silas D.
 Smith, Charles S.
 Sullivan, Peter F.
 Tarbell, Warren E.
 Walsh, John J.
 Weston, Thomas, Jr.

Representatives.

Messrs. Abbott, Essex S.
 Achin, Henry, Jr.
 Allen, Ernest W.
 Allen, Frank G.
 Arnold, Seth F.
 Austin, Charles M.
 Babcock, Josiah, Jr.
 Baker, John H.
 Baldwin, George S.
 Baldwin, William B.
 Barry, Joseph L.
 Bartlett, Herbert A.
 Baxter, Thomas W.
 Beane, Arthur E.
 Bearse, Erastus T.
 Bellows, Alton L.
 Bentley, James D.
 Bessette, Alfred M.
 Bitzer, Jacob
 Blague, Giles
 Bliss, Alvin E.
 Breault, L. Adelard
 Brier, Frank L.
 Briggs, Elmer L.
 Brown, Frederic J.
 Buck, Edgar J.
 Bunting, George

Messrs. Burrell, Fred J.
 Clark, Henry S.
 Clauss, Frederic F.
 Coleman, Everett W.
 Cooke, Harry A.
 Cooley, Charles L.
 Cowdrey, Henry E.
 Daggett, Warren C.
 Davis, Leon W.
 Dawley, George L.
 Dean, Henry E.
 Durgin, Horace E.
 Ellis, George R.
 Ellsworth, Joseph W., Jr.
 Emery, Carl C.
 Fairbanks, Alfred C.
 Foote, Charles R.
 Freeling, Joseph E.
 French, William P.
 Furness, Howard F.
 Gibbs, John M.
 Glazier, Frederick P.
 Gould, Charles W.
 Granger, Clarence H.
 Grant, Alfred A.
 Greenwood, Fred P.
 Hamilton, John O.

Messrs. Hartshorn, Charles H.
 Haynes, Walter
 Herrick, Joseph E.
 Hudson, George C. F.
 Hudson, John R.
 Hull, John C.
 Jewett, Victor Francis
 Johnson, John G.
 Johnson, William L.
 Jones, Arthur W.
 Jones, Benjamin O.
 Jones, Morris A.
 Keating, Jeremiah P.
 Keniston, Davis B.
 Kidder, Clarence P.
 Kneeland, William A.
 Knight, Fred M.
 Lane, Benjamin C.
 Leavitt, Thomas
 Lyman, Frank E.
 Maloney, David J.
 Manning, Frank A.
 Marsh, Arthur E.
 Marsh, George S.
 McDonald, Allan R.
 McKeon, Francis P.
 McKinney, Francis B.
 Mellen, Walter L.
 Merriam, Bernard F.
 Meyers, Julius
 Moran, James G.
 Moynihan, James J.
 Nelson, Christian
 Newhall, Arthur N.
 Nichols, Frederic C.
 Niland, Thomas A.

Messrs. Oberti, Frank A.
 Ollendorff, William W.
 Orr, John Glenn
 Osborne, John N.
 Paige, Henry E.
 Phinney, Frank B.
 Pierce, Frederick E.
 Powers, Leland
 Putnam, Frank H.
 Quinn, Timothy F.
 Reidy, Michael J.
 Richards, George Louis
 Robertson, James W.
 Robinson, Arthur W.
 Sackett, Harry R.
 Shaw, Michael F.
 Snow, Dexter A.
 Stone, Elihu D.
 Taylor, Edward W.
 Thomas, John
 Torrey, Frank A.
 Torrey, James A.
 Tower, Walter L.
 Wall, Albert T.
 Warner, Joseph E.
 Webber, George M.
 Webster, George P.
 Wharton, Joseph W.
 Wilkins, James H.
 Winn, Herbert F.
 Wood, Isaac U.
 Woodhead, William H.
 Woodsum, Benjamin H.
 Wragg, Samuel H.
 Young, Benjamin Loring

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NAYS.

Senators.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
 Callahan, Edward
 Cavanagh, James F.
 Colburn, Arthur W.
 Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
 Cronin, John

Messrs. Curran, George E.
 Foley, William J.
 Kearney, John J.
 Mahoney, John J.
 McLane, Walter E.
 Winchester, Charles A.

Representatives.

Messrs. Aigen, Joseph B.
 Bagshaw, James T.
 Balch, Francis N.
 Beardsley, Addison P.
 Bennett, Chauncey A.
 Bigney, Robert E.
 Boothman, Cornelius
 Bowser, Eden K.
 Bradbury, Alfred
 Bradbury, Charles D.
 Bray, Albert C.
 Brennan, James H.
 Brennan, Owen E.
 Buck, Maurice A.
 Bullock, William J.
 Butterick, George F.
 Carey, John J.

Messrs. Cashman, John B.
 Chase, Mial W.
 Collins, Benjamin G.
 Conroy, William S.
 Cook, D. Herbert
 Corbett, Thomas J.
 Costello, Patrick M.
 Cox, Edward J.
 Crane, Samuel V.
 Donovan, Thomas F.
 Dowd, Lawrence F.
 Doyle, Andrew P.
 Early, Bernard
 Englert, John P.
 Feinberg, Philip J.
 Fitzgerald, John I.
 Flanagan, Michael A.

Messrs. Fleming, William
 Francis, William J.
 Gillen, Daniel J.
 Granfield, William J.
 Greaney, Maurice F.
 Green, Thomas H.
 Haigis, Fred C.
 Haley, Cornelius F.
 Hamburger, Leo S.
 Harrington, Edward F.
 Hayden, Daniel J.
 Hayes, James W.
 Hays, Martin
 Hearn, William H.
 Hickey, William P.
 Higgins, Matthew A.
 Hinckley, Edward C.
 Howland, Edgar F.
 Jordan, Michael H.
 Kelleher, John A.
 Kelley, Charles A.
 Kelley, James J.
 Kiernan, James F.
 Lamoureux, Wilfrid J.
 Larocque, Ernest A.
 Malone, Michael F.
 Manning, William J.
 McMahon, Frank
 McMenimen, William R.
 Mellen, James J.
 Melody, Patrick J.

Messrs. Mitchell, John
 Mulveny, Frank
 Mulvey, James J.
 Murphy, Daniel C.
 Murphy, John J.
 Naphen, William J.
 Newhall, George H.
 O'Brien, William A.
 O'Connor, John D.
 Odlin, James E.
 Pepin, Chauncey
 Plattner, William
 Reardon, Dennis F.
 Rice, Abbott B.
 Ryder, Morrill S.
 Schell, William I.
 Scigliano, Edward A.
 Smith, Fitz-Henry, Jr.
 Smith, Jerome S.
 Stedman, William L.
 Steele, Emil K.
 Symonds, Charles
 Underhill, Charles L.
 Wells, Wellington
 Whidden, Renton
 White, John A.
 Whitman, Albert L.
 Wonson, Carlton W.
 Woodill, Harry C.
 Worrall, George M.
 Wright, Elwin T.

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ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Senator.

Mr. David S. McIntosh.

Representatives.

Messrs. Bates, George J.
 Bidwell, Orlando C.
 Cowin, Frank H.
 Driscoll, Timothy J.
 Fowler, Robert T.
 Joyce, Thomas M.
 Kelley, David L.
 Lyman, Luther B.
 Makepeace, Lloyd
 McDonnell, William H.

Messrs. McVann, James E.
 Monk, Wesley E.
 Moulton, J. Warren
 Nelson, John R.
 Reading, Arthur K.
 Sawyer, Roland D.
 Spinney, Burgess H.
 Wadleigh, Albert P.
 Wheeler, Bion T.

— 20.

So the amendment was agreed to, a majority of all the members elected having voted in the affirmative; and, in accordance with the requirements of the Constitution, it was referred to the next General Court.

On motion of Mr. Beck, at four o'clock P.M. the joint session adjourned; and the Senate returned to its chamber.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The engrossed Bill relative to the removal of attorneys-at-law (see House, No. 1668) (which had been returned to the House by His Excellency the Governor with a recommendation that amend-

Attorneys-at-law, — removal.

ments specified by him be made therein, see House, No. 1848), — was considered; and the Senate concurred in the adoption of the following amendments: Inserting after the word "Attorney-General", in lines 5 and 6 and in line 16 (of the bill as printed), respectively, the words " , or such person as he may designate with the approval of the court; *provided*, such person so appointed, if he be other than an assistant Attorney-General, shall receive no compensation for his services".

Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck.

Frank H.
Hardison.

The Senate Resolve relative to the retirement of Frank H. Hardison (Senate, No. 163), — was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Hastings moved that the resolve be amended by adding at the end thereof the words "until the third day of September in the year nineteen hundred and twenty, and he may be re-appointed to the office of Insurance Commissioner to serve until said date."; and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Curtin, John A.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Kearney, John J.
Loring, Augustus P.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 18.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Colburn, Arthur W.
Cronin, John
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John

Messrs. Hardy, Walter A.
Jackson, George H.
Knox, Joseph O.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J. — 18.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Curran, George E.
McIntosh, David S.

Mr. Harold L. Perrin. — 3.

So the amendment was rejected.

Mr. Perrin moved that the resolve be amended by adding at the end thereof the words "for the period of one year following the passage of this resolve, and he may be reappointed to the office of Insurance Commissioner to serve during said period."; and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Curtin, John A.

Messrs. Finkel, Samuel B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Kearney, John J.
Loring, Augustus P.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.

Messrs. Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 18.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Colburn, Arthur W.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John

Messrs. Hardy, Walter A.
Jackson, George H.
Knox, Joseph O.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 19.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. James F. Cavanagh,

Mr. David S. McIntosh. — 2.

So the amendment was rejected.

The question on ordering the resolve to a third reading was then determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Curtin, John A.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Loring, Augustus P.

Messrs. Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 14.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John

Messrs. Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 23.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. George B. Churchill,

Mr. David S. McIntosh. — 2.

So the Senate refused to order the resolve to a third reading.

Mr. Reed moved that this vote be reconsidered; and, under the rule, the motion to reconsider was placed first in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 46) of John J. Mahoney that the office of public defender be

Boston, —
Public de-
fender in
municipal
courts.

established in the municipal courts of the city of Boston, — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

Mr. Mahoney moved that the report be amended by substituting a "Bill to establish the office of public defender in the Boston municipal courts" (Senate, No. 46); and this amendment was rejected, by a vote of 7 to 16.

The report was then accepted, in concurrence.

Public
school-teachers,
— minimum
salary.

The Senate Report of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, for the reason that the subject-matter thereof has been covered in a bill previously reported, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 177) of Edward A. Lamb and others that certain towns be exempted from the provisions of law establishing a minimum salary for public school-teachers, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Tarbell.

Boston, —
reorganization
and consolida-
tion of depart-
ments.

The Senate Bill to authorize the reorganization and consolidation of certain departments of the city of Boston (Senate, No. 610), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Stratton
Garage, Inc.

The House Bill to revive the corporation known as Stratton Garage, Inc. (House, No. 1789, amended), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Amendment
of the Federal
Constitution, —
Woman
Suffrage.

The Senate Resolutions ratifying the proposed Amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to extending the right of suffrage to women (Senate, No. 609), — were considered, the question being on adopting them.

Mr. Weston moved that the resolutions be amended by substituting a "Bill to ascertain the opinion of the people of the Commonwealth as to the ratification of the Amendment to the Federal Constitution granting the suffrage to women" (Senate, No. 611); and this amendment was rejected, by a vote of 8 to 24.

The question on adopting the resolutions was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.

Messrs. Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Mahoney, John J.

Messrs. McKnight, Edwin T.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis

Messrs. Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 34.

NAYS.

Messrs. Hardy, Walter A.
Loring, Augustus P.
Nichols, Malcolm E.

Messrs. Smith, Charles S.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 5.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. David S. McIntosh. — 1.

So the resolutions were adopted.

The resolutions were as follows: —

"Whereas, The sixty-sixth Congress by both Houses passed the following proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States by a constitutional majority of two-thirds thereof, to wit,

"Joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution extending the right of suffrage to women.

ARTICLE —.

"The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sex.

"Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

"Resolved, That the said proposed amendment to the Constitution is hereby ratified by the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

"Resolved, That a certified copy of the foregoing preamble and resolution be forwarded by the Governor to the Secretary of State for the United States, in accordance with section two hundred and five of the revised statutes of the United States."

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck.

The Senate Bill relative to sales at auction of personal property (Senate, No. 458), — was rejected, as had been recommended by the committee on Legal Affairs.

Personal property, — sales at auction.

The Senate Bill relative to compulsory school attendance (Senate, No. 598), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Senate bill.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck.

On motion of Mr. Gifford, at one minute before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

FRIDAY, June 20, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate bills

Superior Court,
— stenog-
raphers.

To establish the salaries of court stenographers of the Superior Court of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 467); and

Blandford
and Great
Barrington, —
highway.

To provide for the construction of a highway from the town of Blandford to the town of Great Barrington (printed as House, No. 313); and

The House bills

Probate courts,
— appeals.

Relative to appeals from the probate courts (House, No. 1658);

Sheriffs, —
salaries.

To establish the salaries of sheriffs in certain counties (House, No. 1818); and

Suffolk
County, —
messengers
of Supreme
Judicial and
Superior
Courts.

To establish the salaries of the messengers of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court and of the Superior Court in the county of Suffolk (House, No. 1832), — severally, ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Motor-vehicles,
— registration
fees.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the House Bill relative to registration fees for motor trucks, trailers and commercial motor-vehicles (House, No. 1855), ought to pass with amendments in section 2, striking out in the schedule all after the words "Capacity of 5 tons and over 4 tons, \$50", to and including the words "Any capacity of more than 9 tons, \$100", and inserting in place thereof the following: "For any capacity over 5 tons, \$50 for the first 5 tons and an additional amount of \$25 for each additional ton or part thereof"; and inserting in the provision for trailers, in the first line, before the word "metal", the word "non-resilient"; and inserting after the word "pneumatic", in the fourth line, the words "or resilient metal";

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading, with the amendments pending.

Penal institu-
tions, — com-
pensation of
inmates.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill providing for the compensation of inmates of the State Prison, the Massachusetts Reformatory, the Reformatory for Women and the Prison Camp and Hospital (printed as House, No. 1175), ought not to pass (Mr. Curran dissenting); and

State institu-
tions, — super-
vision of farm
products.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill relative to the supervision of the products of farms connected with State institutions (Senate, No. 241); and

The House Resolve providing for an investigation by the Public Service Commission and the Board of Trustees of the Boston Elevated Railway Company of the expediency and cost of removing the subway structures in Harvard Square in the city of Cambridge (House, No. 1828), — severally, ought NOT to pass;

Boston Elevated Railway Company, — removal of structures in Harvard Square, Cambridge.

Severally read, and the bills and the resolve placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question, in each instance, being on the rejection thereof.

By Mr. Knox, for the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on the petition of Michael A. O'Leary, a Bill to revive the corporation known as the Inman Square Amusement Company (printed as House, No. 1836);

Inman Square Amusement Company.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Relative to the salaries of the members, secretary and medical adviser of the Industrial Accident Board (House, No. 1849, amended, — new draft of Senate Bill No. 466);

Industrial Accident Board, — salaries.

To provide for acquirement of land of the United States on Charles River in Watertown, and to complete the construction of North Beacon Street in said town (House, No. 1861, — new draft of Senate Bill printed as House, No. 643, amended); and

Watertown, — improvement of North Beacon Street.

To regulate the quality of anthracite coal sold for domestic purpose in this Commonwealth (House, No. 1866, — new draft of bill substituted for the House Report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, "leave to withdraw," on the petitions of Fred P. Greenwood and others, accompanied by bill, House, No. 199);

Coal for domestic purposes, — quality.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill to incorporate the Portia Law School (House, No. 226, — on the petition of Arthur W. MacLean and others; and on the recommendations of the Board of Education relative thereto, House, No. 224; and the special report of the Board of Education relative thereto, House, No. 1418), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Portia Law School.

A Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 602) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, that unpaid water rates shall become liens on real estate; and on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 760) of Frederick P. Glazier that accounts due for supplying water by municipalities be made a lien on real estate (Messrs. Moran, Hull, Naphen and Gould, of the House, dissenting), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Unpaid water-rates, — liens on real estate.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Frank H.
Hardison.

The motion that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had refused to order to a third reading the Resolve relative to the retirement of Frank H. Hardison (Senate, No. 163), — was considered.

Mr. Reed moved that the further consideration of the motion to reconsider be postponed until the next session; and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Loring, Augustus P.
Perrin, Harold L.
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S. — 8.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.

Messrs. Eames, Edward B.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Winchester, Charles A. — 12.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. Peter F. Sullivan (present),
Mr. William J. Foley (present),
Mr. Malcolm E. Nichols (present),
Mr. John A. Curtin,
Mr. Joseph O. Knox (present),
Mr. Thomas Weston, Jr.

NAYS.

Mr. David S. McIntosh.
Mr. George H. Jackson.
Mr. Arthur L. Nason.
Mr. Walter A. Hardy (present).
Mr. Arthur W. Colburn.
Mr. John Cronin (present). — 12.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Hastings, George A.
Kearney, John J.

Messrs. Prescott, Francis
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J. — 7.

So the motion to postpone was negatived.

The motion to reconsider was also negatived.

State House,
— additional
watchmen.

The Senate Bill to authorize the Sergeant-at-Arms to employ additional watchmen at the State House (Senate, No. 582, changed), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Justices of
Supreme
Judicial and
Superior
Courts, —
travelling
expenses.

The Senate Bill to provide for the travelling expenses of the justices of the Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts (Senate, No. 594), was read a second time and was amended, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, by striking out,

in line 6, the word "travelling", and the word "actually"; and adding the following new sections: — "SECTION 2. Retired Justices of either court who hold court in places where they do not reside shall receive their expenses while holding court. SECTION 3. This act shall take effect on the first day of July, nineteen hundred and nineteen." The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill relative to attendance at schools in places other than residence (Senate, No. 602), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Churchill.

The House Bill to establish the salary of the Lieutenant-Governor of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1688, amended), — was read a second time and was amended, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, by striking out section 2 (inserted by amendment by the House), and inserting in place thereof the following: — "SECTION 2. The compensation established by this act shall be allowed from the first day of January, nineteen hundred and twenty."

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

The House Bill relative to the boundary line between the city of Newton and the town of Brookline (House, No. 1737), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

The House Bill to provide for the determination of disputed boundaries between counties, cities, towns or districts (House, No. 1853), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

The House Resolve providing for a further extension of time for the improvement of navigation of the Merrimack River from the sea to Hunt's Falls at Lowell (House, No. 930), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Brown, and the resolve was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

The bills

Bills.

To protect mothers and children during the maternity period (Senate, No. 612);

Relative to the compensation of certain employees of the counties of the Commonwealth and of the court officers of the municipal court of the city of Boston (House, No. 1813); and

Relative to the liens of cities and towns on real estate taken for non-payment of taxes (House, No. 1854);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Industrial accidents, — additional methods of compensation.

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 75) of Frank F. Dresser that provision be made for additional methods of guaranteeing compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Act; and on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 937) of Carlton W. Wonson for additional methods of guaranteeing compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Act, — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

Mr. Tarbell moved that the report be amended by substituting a "Bill to provide for the establishment of a State Fund Association for the purpose of insuring the liability of employers to make compensation on account of injured employees" (Senate, No. 613).

Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of the same Senator.

Special Recess Committee on Workmen's Compensation, — report.

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no further legislation necessary, on the report of the Special Recess Committee on Workmen's Compensation, appointed (under an order of the General Court of 1918) to consider the problems of protecting workmen against industrial accidents, the waiver by disabled employees of their rights under the Workmen's Compensation Act, and generally the administration and operation of the laws relative to workmen's compensation (Senate, No. 334), — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Cavanagh.

Workmen's compensation, — State insurance fund.

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 259) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for the establishment of a State insurance fund and for compulsory participation in the workmen's compensation law by employers; and on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 936) of Carlton W. Wonson for the establishment of a State insurance fund and for compulsory participation by employers in the Workmen's Compensation Act, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Cavanagh.

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1047) of David W. Murray that the writing of workmen's compensation insurance by liability insurance companies be prohibited and that a Massachusetts company be incorporated for this purpose, — was considered; and, pending the question on adopting the order, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of Mr. Cavanagh.

The House reports

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 148) of John J. Kearney for amendment of the requirements as to "notice of injury" under the Workmen's Compensation Act; on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 185) of John Halliwell that the Industrial Accident Board be authorized to allow compensation if the notice of injury is filed within one year from the date thereof; on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 474) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for an amendment of the Workmen's Compensation Act regulating the time within which notice of injury shall be made and the time when compensation shall begin; on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 601) of E. M. Shanley relative to notice by employees of injuries received in the course of their employment; and on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1045) of Robert E. Bigney relative to the notice to be given to employees under the provision of law providing compensation for persons injured in industrial accidents; House reports.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 14) of Carrie B. Pope and others for the sale of rights of unknown owners in land at Town Neck in the town of Sandwich and the partition of said land among the owners thereof;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on so much of the recommendations of the Insurance Commissioner (House, No. 362) as relates to the responsibility of employers for the payment of benefits, and to the authority of the Insurance Commissioner in the approval of workmen's compensation insurance rates (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 367 and 368);

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 763) of William H. McDonnell relative to the responsibility of registered owners of motor-vehicles for injury to others;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 938) of Carlton W. Wonson relative to liens of workmen and subcontractors for labor and materials on buildings and lands;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1343) of William M. Mason relative to the partition of interests in land held in joint tenancy or tenancy in common; and

House report.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the report of the special commission which was directed to consider all matters relative to the control, custody and treatment of defective delinquents, feeble-minded persons, persons suffering from excessive use of alcohol or drugs, criminals and misdemeanants (House, No. 1403) as relates to ascertaining the mental condition of persons coming before certain courts of the Commonwealth;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Reed, at fourteen minutes before twelve o'clock A.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, June 23, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Christopher R. Eliot of Boston.

Reports of a Committee.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, on the House Bill authorizing the county of Suffolk to pay an annuity to the widow of Robert Herter (printed as Senate, No. 517); and the petition of Leland Powers and others (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 518), a Resolve providing for an annuity in favor of Ella M. Herter, widow of Robert Herter (Senate, No. 614);

Widow of Robert Herter.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Churchill, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to promote the health and physical development of school children (Senate, No. 574), ought to pass (Mr. McLane dissenting);

School children, — health and physical development.

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Orders Adopted.

Mr. Beck offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —

Ordered, That the time within which the following joint committees are required, under the provisions of the 10th joint rule, to make final report upon all matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended to Monday, June 30, to wit: —

Joint committees, — reports.

Judiciary, Legal Affairs, Taxation and Ways and Means.

Subsequently, the same Senator, for the joint committee on Rules, reported that the order ought to be adopted; and it was considered forthwith under a suspension of the rule, further moved by Mr. Beck, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Weston offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —

Ordered, That the time within which the committee on Social Welfare is required to report on the recent increase in the price of coal in this Commonwealth be extended until Monday, June 30.

Committee on Social Welfare, — investigation on increase of price of coal.

Subsequently, Mr. Beck, for the joint committee on Rules, reported that the order ought to be adopted; and it was considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, further moved by Mr. Beck, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Beverly
Harbor, —
improvement.

Relative to the appropriation for the improvement of Beverly Harbor (House, No. 1788, on the petition of Joseph E. Herrick); and

Soldiers and
sailors, —
State and mili-
tary aid;
burial.

Relative to State and military aid and to the burial of indigent soldiers and sailors (House, No. 1846, — on so much of the Governor's Address, Senate, No. 1, as relates thereto, in part);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Town by-laws,
— publication.

A Bill relative to the publication of town by-laws (House, No. 1771, on the petition of William A. Kneeland), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Reports

Motor-vehicles,
— registration
fees.

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1126) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to the fees for the registration of motor-vehicles; and

Water supplies
and inland
waters, —
protection.

Of the committees on Water Supply and Public Health, sitting jointly, no legislation necessary, on so much of the annual report of the State Department of Health on the purification and prevention of pollution of the sources of water supply and the inland waters of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1299) as relates to sewerage and sewage disposal;

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Berkshire
County, —
court-house
in Pittsfield.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1833) of the county commissioners of the county of Berkshire for authority to erect a building for the purposes of a county court-house in the city of Pittsfield; and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Counties.

Emergency Preambles Adopted.

Neponset
River, —
temporary
bridge between
Commercial
point and
Squantum.

An engrossed Bill to authorize the maintenance of a temporary bridge over Neponset River in the cities of Boston and Quincy, and to cede certain land to the United States (see House, No. 1787), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Callahan, Edward
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John

Messrs. Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John

Messrs. Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.

Messrs. Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 35.

NAYS.—0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Cavanagh, James F.

Messrs. Curtin, John A.
Perrin, Harold L. — 4.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.
Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

An engrossed Bill relative to the termination of tenancies at will (see House, No. 1815), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

Tenancies at
will, —
termination.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 35.

NAYS.—0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Curtin, John A.

Messrs. McIntosh, David S.
Perrin, Harold L. — 4.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.
Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

The following engrossed bills (the first six of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

To establish a special fund in the custody of the Treasurer and Receiver-General for the purpose of paying additional compensation to certain injured employees;

Relative to certain salaries in the department of The Adjutant-General;

Giving certain preferences in public employment to soldiers, sailors and marines;

Relative to payment for clerical work of the trial justice in the city of Methuen;

To establish the salary of the Justice of the Boston Juvenile Court;

To establish the salary of the court officer of the municipal court of the Dorchester district of the city of Boston;

To regulate the dimensions of certain motor-vehicles and trailers;

To authorize the State Department of Agriculture to establish demonstration sheep farms;

To authorize the city of New Bedford to sell certain real estate acquired for park purposes;

Relative to the theft of motor-vehicles;

To authorize the city of Lynn to pay a pension to Annie Welch;

To authorize the city of Everett to incur indebtedness for school purposes;

To establish the salary of the present physician and surgeon of the State Prison;

To authorize the appointment of an assistant clerk of the legislative document division;

To authorize the city of Woburn to borrow money for the purpose of acquiring capital stock of the Horn Pond Railroad Company; and

In addition to the general appropriation act making appropriations to supplement certain items contained therein, for certain permanent improvements and for certain new activities and projects.

The following engrossed resolves (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed and, with the above-named bills, were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Resolves
passed, etc.

Directing the Industrial Accident Board to investigate the practicability of using for disabled industrial workers the new contrivances for restoring injured soldiers to productive employment;

Providing for a special commission to investigate the matter of taxes paid to the Commonwealth under mistake of law or fact;

Providing for an investigation as to the transfer of the State Prison to the State Farm at Bridgewater;

Authorizing the Metropolitan Park Commission to make certain payments to the wife of James B. Ellis of Everett;

Providing for an investigation as to the feasibility of constructing a bridge or a traffic tunnel connecting Boston and East Boston;

To provide for temporary relief of the needy blind and for an investigation by a special commission relative to additional assistance for blind persons; and

Providing for an investigation by the State Department of Health and the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board relative to water supply needs and resources and to the use of great ponds.

An engrossed Bill to provide for the appointment of a commission to complete the work of revising and codifying the laws relating to towns (which originated in the House), — was passed to be enacted. Bill enacted.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 66) of James D. Henderson that the salary of the Treasurer and Receiver-General be established, — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence. Treasurer and Receiver-General, — salary.

On motion of Mr. Jackson, the report was amended by substituting a "Bill to establish the salary of the Treasurer and Receiver-General" (Senate, No. 66); and the bill was read and, under the rule, was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

The House Report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 67) of James D. Henderson that the salary of the Auditor of the Commonwealth be established, — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence. Auditor of the Commonwealth, — salary.

On motion of Mr. Jackson, by a vote of 19 to 10, the report was amended by substituting a "Bill to establish the salary of the Auditor of the Commonwealth" (Senate, No. 67); and the bill was read and, under the rule, was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

The Senate Bill to establish the salaries of court stenographers of the Superior Court of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 467), — was read a second time and was amended in section 1, on motion of Mr. Walsh, by inserting after the word "counties," in line 6, the words "provided, that the additional stenographers for the county of Hampden and for the county of Worcester shall each receive the compensation hereinafter provided for stenographers appointed for temporary service." Superior Court, — stenographers.

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill to provide for the construction of a highway from the town of Blandford to the town of Great Barrington (printed as House, No. 313), — was read a second time and Blandford and Great Barrington, — highway.

ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time.

Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 1, by striking out, in lines 7, 8, 9 and 10, the words "and said appropriation shall be in addition to all other sums which have been, or may be, appropriated for the use of said commission during the year nineteen hundred and seventeen," and inserting in place thereof the following:—"said sum to be taken from the appropriation for highway construction embodied in item 336 of the general appropriation act for the current year."; and also by striking out section 2.

These amendments were adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of Mr. Beck.

Inman Square
Amusement
Company.

The Senate Bill to revive the corporation known as the Inman Square Amusement Company (printed as House, No. 1836),—was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Portia Law
School.

The House Bill to incorporate the Portia Law School (House, No. 226),—was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Suffolk
County,—
messengers
of Supreme
Judicial and
Superior
Courts.

The House Bill to establish the salaries of the messengers of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court and of the Superior Court in the county of Suffolk (House, No. 1832),—was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Motor-vehicles,
— registration
fees.

The House Bill relative to registration fees for motor trucks, trailers and commercial motor-vehicles (House, No. 1855),—was read a second time and was amended in section 2, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, by striking out in the schedule all after the words "Capacity of 5 tons and over 4 tons", to and including the words "Any capacity of more than 9 tons", and inserting in place thereof the following: "For any capacity over 5 tons, \$50 for the first 5 tons and an additional amount of \$25 for each additional ton or part thereof"; and by inserting in the provision for trailers, in the first line, before the word "metal", the word "non-resilient"; and by inserting after the word "pneumatic", in the fourth line, the words "or resilient metal".

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

The bills

Relative to appeals from the probate courts (House, No. Bills. 1658); and

To establish the salaries of sheriffs in certain counties (House, No. 1818);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate bills

Relative to the supervision of the products of farms connected with State institutions (Senate, No. 241); and

Providing for the compensation of inmates of the State Prison, the Massachusetts Reformatory, the Reformatory for Women and the Prison Camp and Hospital (printed as House, No. 1175);

Were severally rejected, as had been recommended, in each instance, by the committee on Ways and Means.

The House Resolve providing for an investigation by the Public Service Commission and the Board of Trustees of the Boston Elevated Railway Company of the expediency and cost of removing the subway structures in Harvard Square in the city of Cambridge (House, No. 1828), — was considered; and, pending the question on rejecting the resolve, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on motion of Mr. Counihan.

The Senate Bill to provide for the travelling expenses of the justices of the Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts (Senate, No. 594), — was read a third time, as previously amended. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be further amended by striking out sections 2 and 3 (inserted by amendment in the Senate), and inserting in place thereof the following:

"SECTION 2. Retired Justices of the Superior Court shall receive their expenses actually incurred while holding court in places where they do not reside upon the certificate of the Chief Justice of said court.

"SECTION 3. This act shall take effect as of the first day of July of the current year, provided the necessary appropriation is made at the current session of the General Court."

This amendment was adopted.

The bill, as amended (Senate, No. 615), was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck.

The Senate Bill to protect mothers and children during the maternity period (Senate, No. 612), — was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed, by a vote of 22 to 2.

Sent down for concurrence, Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck.

The House Bill relative to the taxation of persons engaged in the business of dealing in intangible personal property (House,

State institutions, — supervision of farm products.

Penal institutions, — compensation of inmates.

Boston Elevated Railway Company, — removal of structures in Harvard Square, Cambridge.

Justices of Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts, — travelling expenses.

Mothers, — protection during maternity period.

Intangible personal property, — taxation.

No. 1842), — was read a third time. On motion of Mr. McLane, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session.

House bill.

The House Bill relative to the liens of cities and towns on real estate taken for non-payment of taxes (House, No. 1854), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr Beck.

**Unpaid water
rates, — liens
on real estate.**

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 602) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, that unpaid water rates shall become liens on real estate; and on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No 760) of Frederick P. Glazier that accounts due for supplying water by municipalities be made a lien on real estate, — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

Mr. Beck moved that the report be amended by substituting a "Bill to make unpaid water rates liens on real estate" (printed as House, No. 602).

Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of the same Senator.

On motion of Mr. Reed, at twenty-two minutes past three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, June 24, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Bill Recalled from the Governor.

On motion of Mr. Hastings, it was voted that a message be sent to His Excellency the Governor requesting the return to the Senate of the engrossed Bill relative to certain salaries in the department of The Adjutant-General (which originated in the Senate) (see Senate, No. 554).

Adjutant-General's department, — salaries.

Mr. Hastings was appointed the messenger. Subsequently, the bill was returned and was laid before the Senate. On motion of the same Senator, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had passed the bill to be enacted.

Pending the recurring question on passing the bill to be enacted, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Thursday, on further motion of Mr. Hastings.

Reports of a Committee.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House bills

Relative to the appropriation for the improvement of Beverly Harbor (House, No. 1788); and

Beverly Harbor, — improvement. Soldiers and sailors, — State and military aid; burial.

Relative to State and military aid and to the burial of indigent soldiers and sailors (House, No. 1846), — severally, ought to pass;

By Mr. McLane, for the same committee, that the House Bill relative to the salaries of the members, secretary and medical adviser of the Industrial Accident Board (House, No. 1849, amended), ought to pass; and

Industrial Accident Board, — salaries.

By Mr. Smith, for the same committee, that the House Bill to provide for acquirement of land of the United States on Charles River in Watertown, and to complete the construction of North Beacon Street in said town (House, No. 1861), ought to pass;

Watertown, — North Beacon Street.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill relative to the establishment and maintenance of continuation schools and courses of instruction for employed minors (House, No. 1841, amended, — on the petition of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor, accompanied by bill, House, No. 706; and in part on the report of the special commission on Education, Senate, No. 330)

Employed minors, — continuation schools, etc.

(Messrs. Baldwin and Boothman, of the House, dissenting), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills

Persons suffering from incurable diseases, — commitment.

Relative to the commitment of certain persons affected with incurable diseases (House, No. 1587, — substituted by the House for the Senate Resolve printed as House, No. 1779, which had been substituted by the Senate for a bill bearing the House document number 1587);

Lynn, — Grand Army building.

To authorize the city of Lynn to accept in trust a conveyance of the Grand Army building in that city (House, No. 1874, — new draft of Senate Bill No. 606); and

Laws relating to the public schools, — corrections and additions.

To make certain corrections in and additions to the laws relating to the public schools (House, No. 1876, — on the report of the special recess commission on Education, Senate, No. 330, in part, see Senate, No. 353);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Plymouth county, — first assistant clerk of courts.

The Senate Resolve in favor of the first assistant clerk of courts for the county of Plymouth (Senate, No. 585), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out, in lines 4 and 5, the words "six hundred", and inserting in place thereof the words "five hundred and seventy-five."

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Churchill, and the amendment was considered forthwith and was adopted, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Nomination papers.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate Bill relative to the time for filing nomination papers for certain candidates (Senate, No. 142, amended), had been rejected by the House.

Engrossed Bill Laid Before the Governor.

Town laws, — reodification.

The engrossed Bill to provide for the appointment of a commission to complete the work of revising and codifying the laws relating to towns (which originated in the House), — which, at the preceding session, had been passed to be enacted, was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Emergency Preamble Adopted.

Soldiers and sailors, — suitable recognition.

An engrossed Bill to provide suitable recognition of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the army and navy of the United States during the war with Germany (which originated in the House) (see House, No. 1803, amended), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McKnight, Edwin T.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 37.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Counihan, Edward A., Jr. Mr. David S. McIntosh. — 3.
Curtin, John A.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.
Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Bill relative to the taxation of persons engaged in the business of dealing in intangible personal property (House, No. 1842), — was considered; and pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Cavanagh.

Intangible
personal
property, —
taxation.

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 75) of Frank F. Dresser that provision be made for additional methods of guaranteeing compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Act; and on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 937) of Carlton W. Wonson for additional methods of guaranteeing compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Act, — was considered, the main question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

Industrial
accidents, —
additional
methods of
compensation.

There being no objection, Mr. Tarbell withdrew the pending amendment previously moved by him.

Mr. Hobbs moved that the report be amended by substituting a "Bill to provide additional methods of guaranteeing compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Act" (Senate, No. 75); and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
Perrin, Harold I.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 22.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.

Messrs. Halliwell, John
Kearney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 13.

YEA.

Mr. John A. Curtin,

PAIRED.

NAY.

Mr. Peter F. Sullivan (present). — 2.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. Edward A. Coughlin, Jr.,

Mr. Malcolm E. Nichols. — 2.

So the amendment was adopted; and, accordingly, the bill was substituted; and it was read and, under the rule, was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Special Recess
Committee on
Workmen's
Compensation,
— report.

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no further legislation necessary, on the report of the Special Recess Committee on Workmen's Compensation, appointed (under an order of the General Court of 1918) to consider the problems of protecting workmen against industrial accidents, the waiver by disabled employees of their rights under the Workmen's Compensation Act, and generally the administration and operation of the laws relative to workmen's compensation (Senate, No. 334), — was accepted, in concurrence.

Workmen's
compensation,
— State insur-
ance fund.

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 259) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for the establishment of a State insurance fund and for compulsory participation in the workmen's compensation law by employers; and on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 936) of Carlton W. Wonson for the establishment of a State insurance fund and for compulsory participation by employers in the Workmen's Compensation Act, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Cavanagh.

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1047) of David W. Murray that the writing of workmen's compensation insurance by liability insurance companies be prohibited and that a Massachusetts company be incorporated for this purpose, — was accepted, in concurrence.

Industrial
accidents, —
insurance by
a special
company.

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 602) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, that unpaid water rates shall become liens on real estate; and on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 760) of Frederick P. Glazier that accounts due for supplying water by municipalities be made a lien on real estate, — was considered, the main question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

Unpaid water
rates, — liens
on real estate.

The Senate rejected the pending amendment, previously moved by Mr. Beck, — that a "Bill to make unpaid water rates liens on real estate" (printed as House, No. 602), be substituted.

The report was then accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill to promote the health and physical development of school children (Senate, No. 574), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bill.

The House Bill relative to the publication of town by-laws (House, No. 1771), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Town by-laws,
— publication.

The Senate Resolve providing for an annuity in favor of Ella M. Herter, widow of Robert Herter (Senate, No. 614), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the resolve was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read as follows: "Resolve providing for the payment of an annuity to the widow of Robert Herter."

Widow of
Robert Herter.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Mahoney.

The Senate Bill to establish the salaries of stenographers of the Superior Court (Senate, No. 467) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time, as previously amended; and it was passed to be engrossed.

Superior Court,
— stenog-
raphers.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck.

The Senate Bill to provide for the instruction of adults in the English language (Senate, No. 577), — was read a third time.

Adults, —
instruction
in English
language.

Mr. Chamberlain moved that the bill be amended by substituting a "Bill to promote Americanization through the education of adult persons unable to use the English language" (Senate, No. 616).

Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on further motion of the same Senator.

Colleges, —
granting
of degrees.

The Senate Bill relative to the granting of degrees by colleges and other institutions of learning (Senate, No. 603), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 617).

This amendment was adopted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 617), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

House bills.

The House bills

Relative to appeals from the probate courts (House, No. 1658); and

Relative to the compensation of certain employees of the counties of the Commonwealth and of the court officers of the municipal court of the city of Boston (House, No. 1813);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, in each instance, on motion of Mr. Beck.

Sheriffs, —
salaries.

The House Bill to establish the salaries of sheriffs in certain counties (House, No. 1818), — was read a third time.

On motion of Mr. McLane, the bill was amended in section 1, by striking out, in the schedule, the figure s“350,000”, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the figures “340,000”.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden.

House reports.

The House reports

Of the committee on Roads and Bridges, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1126) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to the fees for the registration of motor-vehicles; and

Of the committees on Water Supply and Public Health, sitting jointly, no legislation necessary, on so much of the annual report of the State Department of Health on the purification and prevention of pollution of the sources of water supply and the inland waters of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1299) as relates to sewerage and sewage disposal;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Brown, at four minutes before four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, June 25, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Opinions of Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court.

The following communication was received from the Honorable the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, to wit:—

To the Honorable the Senate of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

We, the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, have considered the questions upon which our opinion is required by the order of June 16, 1919, a copy of which is hereto annexed, and respectfully submit this opinion.

Opinion of
Justices of the
Supreme
Judicial Court,
— constitutionality of
bill-board
advertising
legislation.

Article L of the Amendments to the Constitution is in these words: "Advertising on public ways, in public places and on private property within public view may be regulated and restricted by law." The words "regulated and restricted" do not confer power to prohibit utterly and without bound but only to establish reasonable limitations. This is the significance of the words of Amendment L in the light of its history, whatever may be the meaning of power "to regulate" in other connections. See *Gibbons v. Odgen*, 9 Wheat. 1, 189-193.

The precise phrase of Amendment L is followed in the crucial parts of House Bill No. 629 and House Bill No. 1062. They violate no other provisions of the Constitution. It is within the power of the General Court to authorize the enactment of ordinances or by-laws by cities and towns respecting matters of special and local interest. *Commonwealth v. Slocum*, 230 Mass. 180, 190. As we construe the meaning of Article L there is at any rate nothing contrary to the Constitution of the United States in these two bills. *St. Louis Poster Advertising Co. v. St. Louis*, 249 U. S. 39 Sup. Ct. Rep. 274. Whether limitations imposed pursuant to House Bill No. 629 and House Bill No. 1062 would be repugnant to the Fourteenth Amendment of the United States Constitution is a question which does not arise until particular limitations have been enacted. Neither of these bills, if enacted, would be unconstitutional.

For the same reasons section one of House Bill No. 835 is not contrary to the Constitution. But the remaining sections of that bill are not in accordance with the Constitution. That bill is in substance an attempt to exercise the power of raising revenue by levying "a special betterment tax." The provisions of that bill do not constitute a betterment and cannot be the basis for assessing a betterment tax.

Section one of House Bill No. 1063, which is a definition of bill-board, sign or sign-board, is not unconstitutional. The second

section of that bill vests an absolutely unrestricted power in the untrammelled discretion of boards of aldermen and selectmen as to the granting and refusal of licenses for the erection or placing of any bill-board, sign or sign-board as defined in section one. It includes all land within the Commonwealth whether "within public view" or not. It does not come within the terms of Article L of the Amendments or of other provisions of the Constitution. The remaining sections are ancillary to section two and fall with it. With the exception of section one, that bill, if enacted, would be unconstitutional.

Senate Bill No. 227 manifestly does not rest upon those provisions of Article L of the Amendments which relate to advertising on public ways and in public places, but upon that concerning advertising "on private property within public view." That bill prohibits entirely "advertising signs and devices within three hundred feet of a public building, public memorial, public way, park, playground or other public property," except such as refer to a business conducted within the building on which the advertising sign or device is placed. It is apparent that such prohibition includes advertising signs or devices hidden from public view by intervening obstructions and is not confined to those "within the public view." Legislation of that nature would be beyond the plain scope of the amendment and hence unconstitutional. This consideration disposes of that bill. Other questions which might arise if it were not open to this fatal objection need not be discussed.

ARTHUR P. RUGG.
WILLIAM CALEB LORING.
HENRY K. BRALEY.
CHARLES A. DECOURCY.
JOHN C. CROSBY.
EDWARD P. PIERCE.
JAMES B. CARROLL.

The communication was read and ordered to be printed (Senate, No. 623), and was referred to the committee on Legal Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence in the reference.

Bills Recalled from the Governor.

Assistant
clerks of
Senate and
House, —
salaries.

On motion of Mr. Hastings, it was voted that a message be sent to His Excellency the Governor requesting the return to the Senate of the engrossed Bill to establish the salary of William H. Sanger as assistant clerk of the Senate and the salary of Frank E. Bridgman as assistant clerk of the House of Representatives (which originated in the Senate) (see Senate, No. 159, amended).

Mr. Hastings was appointed the messenger. Subsequently, the bill was returned and was laid before the Senate. There being no objection, on motion of the same Senator, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at a previous session, it had passed the bill to be enacted.

Pending the recurring question on passing the bill to be enacted, it was laid on the table, on further motion of Mr. Hastings.

On motion of Mr. Cavanagh, it was voted that a message be sent to His Excellency the Governor requesting the return to the Senate of the engrossed Bill to establish a special fund in the custody of the Treasurer and Receiver-General for the purpose of paying additional compensation to certain injured employees (which originated in the Senate) (see Senate, No. 560, amended).

Injured employees, — special fund to guarantee additional compensation.

Mr. Cavanagh was appointed the messenger. Subsequently, the bill was returned and was laid before the Senate. There being no objection, on motion of the same Senator, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at a previous session, it had passed the bill to be enacted.

On further motions of Mr. Cavanagh, Senate Rule No. 49 was suspended and the bill was amended in section 2, by inserting after the word "eye", in lines 6 and 12, respectively, the words "with glasses".

Sent down for concurrence in the amendments. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Perrin, the Senate Bill to authorize the district attorney for the southeastern district to appoint a deputy district attorney (Senate, No. 192, changed), — was taken from the table and considered; and it was ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Perrin, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Southeastern district, — deputy district attorney.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Petitions and Resolutions.

Petitions and resolutions were presented and referred as follows: —

By Mr. Walsh, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 619) of Edward F. McLaughlin that the city of Boston be authorized to provide shelter for its inhabitants;

Boston, — shelter for inhabitants.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. Beck, to the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Nichols, Resolutions protesting against the attitude of the United States Shipping Board toward the Port of Boston (Senate, No. 620);

Port of Boston, — attitude of United States Shipping Board.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. McLane, to the committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Curran, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 621) of George E. Curran relative to the publication of notices of applications for liquor licenses;

Intoxicating liquors, — publication of applications for licenses.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. Beck, to the committee on Legal Affairs.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Massachusetts
School for
the Feeble-
Minded, —
spur railroad
track.

Westborough
State Hospital,
— spur railroad
track.

Mary Jane
Flynn, —
memorial
tablet.

Authorizing the Commission on Mental Diseases to take land in the city of Waltham for a spur track (House, No. 1821, introduced on leave); and

Authorizing the Commission on Mental Diseases to take land in the town of Northborough for a spur track (House, No. 1822, introduced on leave); and

A Resolve authorizing the trustees of the Taunton State Hospital to erect a tablet in memory of Mary Jane Flynn (printed as Senate, No. 569, on the petition of Arthur B. Reed);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Committee of
conference,
absent voting.

The Senate Report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches with reference to the engrossed Bill to permit absent voters to vote at State elections (see Senate, No. 326, amended), — recommending that the House recede from its amendments at [A] and [B], striking out sections 11 and 12 and that section 12 be amended by adding at the end thereof the following words “nor shall they count or record any ballots mailed from within the New England States and received by the city or town clerk subsequent to the hour fixed by law for the closing of the polls on the day of the election”; that the House recede from its amendment at [C], adding a new section to the numbered section 29; and that the bill be amended by adding, at [C], the following new section: “SECTION 29. Section 28 of this act shall take effect ninety days after the passage thereof; otherwise this act shall take effect upon the first day of January, nineteen hundred and twenty.”, — came up, with the endorsement that the House had refused to accept the report and had asked for the appointment of a new committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches; and that Messrs. Maloney of Chelsea, Abbott of Haverhill and Hull of Leominster had been appointed the new committee on its part.

New com-
mittee of
conference.

On motion of Mr. Hobbs, the Senate concurred in the appointment of a new committee of conference. Messrs. Hobbs, Prescott and Churchill were joined; and the report was sent down endorsed accordingly. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of Mr. Hobbs.

State Guard,
— disposition
of uniforms.

An engrossed Bill relative to the disposition of the uniforms used by the State Guard (which originated in the Senate) (see Senate, No. 514, amended), — came up, amended by striking out, at the end thereof, the words “except overcoats which shall be accounted for to the chief quartermaster”, and inserting in place thereof the words “including overcoats.”

Senate Rules Nos. 36 and 49 were suspended, on motions of Mr. Reed, and the amendment was considered forthwith and was adopted, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of Mr. Reed.

House petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1872) of George Louis Richards that the use of armories by veterans of the war with Germany be authorized; Armories, —
use by
veterans.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Military Affairs.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1877) of the selectmen of the town of Topsfield that the county of Essex be authorized to construct a bridge over the Ipswich River on High Street in said town; Topsfield, —
bridge over the
Ipswich River.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Engrossed Bill Amended.

The engrossed Bill to provide suitable recognition of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the army and navy of the United States during the war with Germany (which originated in the House) (see House, No. 1803, amended), — was put upon its final passage. Soldiers and
sailors, —
suitable
recognition.

On motions of Mr. Loring, Senate Rule No. 49 was suspended and the bill was amended by inserting after section 15 the following new section:

“SECTION 16. The rate of interest on securities issued under section nine shall be fixed by the Treasurer and Receiver-General, with the approval of the Governor and Council.”

Sent down for concurrence in the amendment. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Bill to provide for the instruction of adults in the English language (Senate, No. 577), — was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed. Adults, —
instruction
in English
language.

The Senate adopted the pending amendment, previously moved by Mr. Chamberlain, — that a “Bill to promote Americanization through the education of adult persons unable to use the English language” (Senate, No. 616), be substituted; and, accordingly, the bill was substituted.

There being no objection, on motion of Mr. Beck, Senate Rule No. 31 was suspended and the bill was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of Mr. Beck.

The House Bill relative to the taxation of persons engaged in the business of dealing in intangible personal property (House, No. 1842), — was considered; and the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, was determined as follows, to wit: — Intangible
personal
property, —
taxation.

YEAS.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.

Messrs. Loring, Augustus P.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 15.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Kearney, John J.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 18.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Curtin, John A.
Gifford, Charles L.

Messrs. Hardy, Walter A.
Knox, Joseph O.
McIntosh, David S. — 6.

So the bill was rejected.

Colleges, —
granting
of degrees.

The Senate Bill relative to the granting of degrees by colleges and other institutions of learning (Senate, No. 617), — was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck.

Workmen's
compensation,
— State insur-
ance fund.

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 259) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for the establishment of a State insurance fund and for compulsory participation in the workmen's compensation law by employers; and on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 936) of Carlton W. Wonson for the establishment of a State insurance fund and for compulsory participation by employers in the Workmen's Compensation Act, — was considered, the main question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

Mr. Cavanagh moved that the report be amended by substituting a "Bill to provide for the establishment of a State Fund Association for the purpose of insuring the liability of employers to make compensation on account of injured employees" (Senate, No. 618).

Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of the same Senator.

Sheriffs, —
salaries.

The House Bill to establish the salaries of sheriffs in certain counties (House, No. 1818), — was considered and, by a vote of

14 to 4, it was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment previously adopted by the Senate, which was sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck.

The Senate Bill to provide additional methods of guaranteeing compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Act (Senate, No. 75), — was read a second time. Under the rule, it was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

Industrial accidents, — additional methods of compensation.

The House Bill relative to the appropriation for the improvement of Beverly Harbor (House, No. 1788), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Brown, and the bill was read a third time.

Beverly Harbor, — improvement.

On further motion of the same Senator, the bill was amended by inserting before the enacting clause the following emergency preamble:

"Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would unnecessarily delay the improvement herein provided for in coöperation with the Federal government, which is ready to undertake the same at once; accordingly, it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience."

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

The House Bill relative to the salaries of the members, secretary and medical adviser of the Industrial Accident Board (House, No. 1849, amended), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Industrial Accident Board, — salaries.

The House Bill to authorize the city of Lynn to accept in trust a conveyance of the Grand Army building in that city (House, No. 1874), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Lynn, — Grand Army building.

The Bill to make certain corrections in and additions to the laws relating to the public schools (House, No. 1876), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. McLean, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Friday.

Laws relating to the public schools, — corrections and additions.

The bills

Relative to the commitment of certain persons affected with incurable diseases (House, No. 1587);

Relative to State and military aid and to the burial of indigent soldiers and sailors (House, No. 1846); and

Bills.

Bills.

To provide for acquirement of land of the United States on Charles River in Watertown, and to complete the construction of North Beacon Street in said town (House, No. 1861);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill to promote the health and physical development of school children (Senate, No. 574), — was read a third time.

Mr. Beck moved that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 622).

Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on further motion of the same Senator.

On motion of Mr. Perrin, at twenty-four minutes past three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, June 26, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of a Committee.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House bills

Authorizing the Commission on Mental Diseases to take land in the city of Waltham for a spur track (House, No 1821); and
 Authorizing the Commission on Mental Diseases to take land in the town of Northborough for a spur track (House, No 1822);

and .

The House Resolve authorizing the trustees of the Taunton State Hospital to erect a tablet in memory of Mary Jane Flynn (printed as Senate, No. 569), — severally, ought to pass; and

By Mr. Churchill, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill relative to the distribution of the tax on incomes (Senate, No. 567), ought to pass (Mr. Smith, dissenting);

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded, — spur railroad track.
 Westborough State Hospital, — spur railroad track.
 Taunton State Hospital, — tablet in memory of Mary Jane Flynn.
 Income tax, — distribution.

Reconsideration.

On motion of Mr. Beck, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had rejected the House Bill relative to the taxation of persons engaged in the business of dealing in intangible personal property (House, No. 1842).

On the recurring question, the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Intangible personal property, — taxation.

Report.

A Report of the committee on Public Institutions relative to the Rutland State Sanatorium, — was laid before the Senate; and it was placed on file. On motion of Mr. Dahlborg, the report was ordered to be printed (Senate, No. 625).

Rutland State Sanatorium.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Resolutions in favor of Lithuanian independence (House, No. 1834), — were read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Lithuanian independence.

A Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on so much of the report of the Attorney-General for the year ending January 15, 1919 (Pub. Doc. No. 12) as was referred to the committee, — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Attorney-General, — report.

Emergency Preambles Adopted.

General Court,
— additional
mileage for
members and
employees.

An engrossed Bill to regulate the mileage allowance of members and certain employees of the General Court (see Senate, No. 469, amended), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 32.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curtin, John A.
Gifford, Charles L.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Knox, Joseph O.
McIntosh, David S. — 7.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

State dry-dock
and land, —
federal control.

An engrossed Bill granting the consent of the Commonwealth to the purchase by the United States of certain lands in South Boston, and ceding jurisdiction thereover (see House, No. 1775, amended), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.

Messrs. Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Loring, Augustus P.

Messrs. Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.

Messrs. Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 35.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Curtin, John A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Knox, Joseph O.
McIntosh, David S. — 4.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.
Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

The engrossed Bill to provide suitable recognition of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the army and navy of the United States during the war with Germany (see House, No. 1803, amended), — was put upon its final passage; and, it being a bill that provided for the borrowing of money in accordance with the provisions of Section 3 of Article LXII of the Amendments of the Constitution, the question on passing it to be enacted was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as follows, to wit: —

Soldiers and
sailors, —
suitable
recognition.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McKnight, Edwin T.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 37.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Curtin, John A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Mr. David S. McIntosh. — 3.

So the bill was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

The following engrossed bills (the first seven of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

Relative to the admission as evidence of records of conviction of witnesses;

To authorize the appointment of additional assistant clerks of courts in the county of Middlesex;

To establish the salaries of the messengers of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court and of the Superior Court in the county of Suffolk;

Relative to primaries, caucuses and elections;

Relative to the disposition of the uniforms used by the State Guard;

To regulate the purchase and sale of second-hand motor-vehicles and parts thereof;

To establish the salary of the messenger of the municipal court of the city of Boston;

To incorporate the Portia Law School;

Relative to the removal of attorneys-at-law;

To revive the corporation known as Stratton Garage, Inc.;

Relative to the salaries of agents of the Massachusetts Bureau of Prisons;

Relative to the liens of cities and towns on real estate taken for non-payment of taxes;

Relative to the termination of tenancies at will;

Relative to the boundary line between the city of Newton and the town of Brookline;

To provide for the determination of disputed boundaries between counties, cities, towns or districts; and

To authorize the maintenance of a temporary bridge over Neponset River in the cities of Boston and Quincy, and to cede certain land to the United States.

The following engrossed resolves (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed and, with the above-named bills, were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Resolves
passed, etc.

To provide for an investigation as to the feasibility of constructing certain rapid transit circuits by means of surface tracks on or near existing railroad locations in the city of Boston; and

Providing for a further extension of time for the improvement of navigation of the Merrimack River from the sea to Hunt's Falls at Lowell.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Boston Elevated Railway Company, — removal of structures in Harvard Square, Cambridge.

The House Resolve providing for an investigation by the Public Service Commission and the Board of Trustees of the Boston Elevated Railway Company of the expediency and cost of removing the subway structures in Harvard Square in the city of Cambridge (House, No. 1828), — was rejected, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means.

School children, — physical development.

The Senate Bill to promote the health and physical development of school children (Senate, No. 574), — was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed.

The question on adopting the pending amendment, previously moved by Mr. Beck, — that a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 622), be substituted, — was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Cronin, John
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
McLane, Walter E.
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Winchester, Charles A. — 16.

NAYS.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Smith, Charles S.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 17.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Curtin, John A.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.

Messrs. McIntosh, David S.
Nason, Arthur L.
Perrin, Harold L. — 6.

So the amendment was rejected.

Mr. Beck moved that the bill be referred to the next General Court; and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Jackson, George H.

Messrs. Knox, Joseph O.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 19.

NAYS.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Eames, Edward B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Loring, Augustus P.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 12.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. John J. Kearney,
Mr. John A. Curtin,

NAYS.

Mr. Walter A. Hardy (present).
Mr. Edward N. Dahlborg (present). — 4.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Finkel, Samuel B.
McIntosh, David S.

Messrs. Nason, Arthur L.
Perrin, Harold L. — 4.

So the bill was referred to the next General Court.

Adjutant-General's department, — salaries.

The engrossed Bill relative to certain salaries in the department of the Adjutant-General (see Senate, No. 554), — was considered, the recurring question being on passing it to be enacted.

On motions of Mr. Hastings, Senate Rule No. 49 was suspended and the bill was amended as follows: —

In section 1, by striking out, in line 6 (as printed) the words "four thousand", and inserting in place thereof the words "thirty-six hundred";

In section 2, by striking out, in line 1 (as printed) the word "increases", and inserting in place thereof the word "increase"; and

In the title, by striking out the words "relative to certain salaries", and inserting in place thereof the words "to establish a salary".

Sent down for concurrence in the amendments. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Persons affected with incurable diseases, — admission to State institutions.

The House Bill relative to the commitment of certain persons affected with incurable diseases (House, No. 1587), — was read a third time. Mr. Counihan, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by substituting a new draft entitled "An Act to provide for the admission to State institutions of persons affected with incurable diseases" (Senate, No. 629).

This amendment was adopted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 629), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

House bills.

The House bills

Relative to State and military aid and to the burial of indigent soldiers and sailors (House, No. 1846); and

To provide for the exchange of certain land and rights in land between the United States and the Commonwealth, situated in Watertown, and to complete the construction of North Beacon Street in said town (House, No. 1861) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, in each instance, on motion of Mr. Beck.

Motor-vehicles, — registration fees.

The House Bill relative to registration fees for motor trucks, trailers and commercial motor-vehicles (House No. 1855), — was read a third time, as previously amended by the Senate.

Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by adding the following new sections: "SECTION 3. No trailer as above described shall be operated upon the ways of the Commonwealth, as defined in section one of said chapter five hundred and thirty-four, and amendments thereof, unless the same is registered in accordance with the provisions of this act.

"SECTION 4. The provisions of sections three, four, five and eleven of said chapter five hundred and thirty-four, and amendments thereof, shall, so far as applicable, apply to the registration and operation of trailers registered in accordance with the provisions of this act."

These amendments were adopted.

Mr. Beck moved that the bill be amended in section 2 by striking out "\$25", from the words previously inserted by amendment by the Senate, and inserting in place thereof "\$10".

Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden moved that the bill be amended by inserting before the word "trailers", in section 1, line 9, and in section 2, line 11, respectively, the word "commercial".

Mr. Cavanagh moved that the bill be amended by adding at the end thereof the following new section:—

"SECTION 5. One-third of all fees collected for registration of motor trucks and trailers under the provision of this act shall be distributed to the cities and towns from which such motor trucks and trailers are registered, to be used by such cities and towns for highway maintenance. On or before January first of each year the Treasurer and Receiver-General shall remit to each city and town the sum to which it is entitled under the provisions of this act, the same to be computed from information of registrations furnished by the Highway Commission."

The question on adopting the amendment moved by Mr. Beck was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Foley, William J.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Perrin, Harold L.
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Winchester, Charles A. — 20.

NAYS.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Eames, Edward B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Smith, Charles S.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 14.

PAIRED.

YEA.

Mr. John Halliwell (present),

NAY.

Mr. Samuel B. Finkel. — 2.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Curtin, John A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Mr. David S. McIntosh. — 3.

So the amendment was adopted.

The amendments moved by Mr. Hardy were adopted.
The question on adopting the amendment moved by Mr. Cavanagh was determined as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 17.

NAYS.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Eames, Edward B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Loring, Augustus P.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Smith, Charles S.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 17.

PAIRED.

YEA.

Mr. Edward N. Dahlborg (present),

NAY.

Mr. David S. McIntosh. — 2.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Curtin, John A.
Finkel, Samuel B.

Mr. Harold L. Perrin. — 3.

So the amendment was rejected.

Mr. Cavanagh moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until the next session; and this motion was negatived.

By a vote of 15 to 12, the bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the several amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

Workmen's
compensation,
— State insur-
ance fund.

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 259) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for the establishment of a State insurance fund and for compulsory participation in the workmen's compensation law by employers; and on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 936) of Carlton W. Wonson for the establishment of a State insurance fund and for compulsory participation by employers in the Workmen's Compensation Act, — was considered, the main question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

Mr. Kearney moved that the further consideration of the report be postponed until the following Monday; and this motion was negatived.

On motion of Mr. Cavanagh, the further consideration of the report was postponed until the other matters in the Orders in the Day had been disposed of.

Subsequently, the other matters in the Orders of the Day having been disposed of, the report was again considered.

Mr. Cavanagh moved that the further consideration of the report be postponed until the next session; but, without action thereon, —

On motion of Mr. Loring, at three minutes past six o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

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Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Message from His Excellency the Governor.

The following message was received from His Excellency the Governor, to wit: —

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, June 27, 1919.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

Message from
the Governor,
— State man-
ager of street
railway
companies.

The situation in relation to the street railways of Massachusetts, as pointed out in the inaugural address, is one of great difficulty. Some of them are not earning enough money to meet their expenditures. This can only have one result if continued, — that is the suspension of operations. In many localities the operation of street railways is a public necessity. It would be a great public inconvenience if, on account of conditions which it is trusted may be temporary, street railways should cease to operate or if their operation should be greatly impaired. This is a condition which exists all over the Nation and investigation has been undertaken by the Federal authorities. It is hoped that it will be temporary. It is, however, very desirable that some emergency legislation should be provided which could be put into operation if the contingency arises.

It is therefore recommended that provision be made for the temporary operation of a street railway by a public manager so that such street railway may be under the exclusive control of public officers and public agents, with authority to fix fares subject to revision by the Public Service Commission; and that temporarily for the public convenience in order to operate street railways hereafter placed under such control, provision be made for extending the credit of the Commonwealth and of the cities and towns in which such street railways operate. Such management should be approved and supervised by the Public Service Commission, and public credit should be extended only so far as is necessary to keep the roads in operation by taking care of valid operating deficits, for a limited period in any event and only so far as existing necessities require, without in any way impairing or restricting a further and different action in the future, or imposing in any event an undue burden upon the taxpayers.

CALVIN COOLIDGE.

The message (see Senate, No. 630) was read and was referred to the committee on Street Railways.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill Recalled from the Governor.

On motion of Mr. Gifford (the time within which reconsideration may be moved having expired), it was voted that a message be sent to His Excellency the Governor requesting the return to the Senate of the engrossed Bill to provide suitable recognition of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the army and navy of the United States during the war with Germany (see House, No. 1803, amended) (*as engrossed, see Senate, No. 631*). Soldiers and sailors, — suitable recognition.

Mr. Gifford was appointed the messenger. Subsequently, the bill was returned and was laid before the Senate. There being no objection, on motion of the same Senator, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had passed the bill to be enacted.

Pending the recurring question on passing the bill to be enacted, it was laid on the table, on further motion of Mr. Gifford. Subsequently, by a vote of 15 to 6, the bill was taken from the table, on motion of the same Senator.

Mr. Reed moved that the further consideration thereof be postponed until the next session.

At five minutes before two o'clock P.M., Mr. Weston moved that the Senate adjourn; and this motion was negatived, by a vote of 8 to 15.

At six minutes past two o'clock P.M., Mr. McLane moved that the Senate take a recess for fifteen minutes; and this motion was negatived, by a vote of 9 to 13.

At seven minutes past two o'clock P.M., Mr. Reed moved that the Senate adjourn; and this motion was negatived, by a vote of 7 to 17.

At nine minutes past two o'clock P.M., Mr. Winchester moved that the Senate take a recess for five minutes; and this motion was negatived.

The first motion of Mr. Reed prevailed; and, accordingly, the further consideration of the bill was postponed until the next session.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Churchill, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill to provide additional methods of guaranteeing compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Act (Senate, No. 75), ought to pass (Messrs. McLane and Curran, dissenting); Industrial accidents, — additional methods of compensation.

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

By Mr. McLane, for the same committee, that the Senate bills To establish the salary of the Treasurer and Receiver-General (Senate, No. 66); and

To establish the salary of the Auditor of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 67), — severally, ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Treasurer and Receiver-General, — salary.
Auditor of the Commonwealth, — salary.

Inspector
of fish.

By Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, for the committee on Legal Affairs, on the report of the joint special recess committee appointed to continue the investigation of the fish industry in this Commonwealth (House, No. 1725) (in part), a Bill to provide for the appointment of an inspector of fish and establishing regulations relative to dealing in fish (Senate, No. 627);

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Alcohol.

By Mr. Walsh, for the committee on Legal Affairs, on the petition of Joseph C. Pelletier (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 604), a Bill regulating the sale of alcohol (Senate, No. 626); and

Necessaries
of life, —
unreasonable
increase in
price.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the report of the joint special recess committee appointed to continue the investigation of the fish industry in this Commonwealth (House, No. 1725) (in part), a Bill relative to maintaining or increasing unreasonably the price of any necessary of life (Senate, No. 628);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

Feeble-minded
persons, —
supervision
and control.

On motion of Mr. Churchill, the Senate Report of the committee on Public Institutions, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the recommendations of the Commission on Mental Diseases (House, No. 392) as relates to providing further supervision, care and control of the neglected, dangerous or uncontrolled feeble-minded persons in the community (see House, No. 394), — was taken from the table; and the report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Boston, —
rate of
taxation.

On motion of Mr. Mahoney, the Senate Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 232) of John J. Mahoney that the statutory limit on the rate of taxation in the city of Boston be abolished and that said city be permitted to fix its own tax rate, — was taken from the table; and the report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Id.

On motion of the same Senator, the Senate Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 233) of John J. Mahoney that the limit on the rate of taxation in the city of Boston be abolished and that said city be authorized to borrow money without enabling legislation, — was taken from the table; and the report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

School children
with retarded
development,
— mental
examination.

On motion of Mr. Churchill, the House Bill to provide for the mental examination of school children with retarded mental development (House, No. 1577), — was taken from the table and considered; and the bill was rejected, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means.

Petition.

Mr. Reed presented a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 624) of J. William Flood, mayor of the city of Taunton, that said city be authorized to borrow money for the purpose of meeting a deficit in the electric light department; and the petition was referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by the same Senator, to the committee on Municipal Finance.

Taunton, —
deficit in
electric light
department.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

To establish a special commission on the necessities of life (House, No. 1881, — on the petition of Thomas Leavitt, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1183; on so much of the report of the joint special recess committee to investigate the fish industry of the Commonwealth, House, No. 1725, as relates thereto; and on the message from the Governor relative thereto, Senate, No. 600); and

Commission
on the
necessaries
of life.

Relative to the use of tanks or containers for the storage of fluids other than water (House, No. 1882, — substituted for the Senate Report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, "leave to withdraw," on the petition of Edward A. Scigliano, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1318); and

Storage of
fluids, —
use of tanks,
etc.

A Resolve authorizing the leasing of the Norfolk State Hospital to the Federal government (House, No. 1865, amended, — on the message from the Governor relative thereto, House, No. 1856);

Norfolk State
Hospital, —
Federal control.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill to establish a budget system for the expenditure of money by the county of Suffolk (House, No. 1868, — new draft of the recommitted House Bill printed as Senate, No. 264), — came up, recommitted to the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, under a suspension of the 5th joint rule; and the Senate concurred in the suspension of the said rule.

Suffolk
County, —
budget system.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The unfinished business of the preceding session, *i.e.*, the House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 259) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for the establishment of a State insurance fund and for compulsory participation in the workmen's compensation law by employers; and on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 936) of Carlton W. Wonson for the establishment of a State insurance fund and for compulsory participation by employers in the Workmen's Compensation Act, — was considered, the main question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

Workmen's
compensation,
— State insur-
ance fund.

Mr. Kearney moved that the report be amended by substituting a "Bill prohibiting insurance companies from participating in workmen's compensation, establishing a State insurance fund, and providing for compulsory participation in workmen's compensation law by employers" (printed as House, No. 259).

The question on the pending amendment previously moved by Mr. Cavanagh, — that a "Bill to provide for the establishment of a State Fund Association for the purpose of insuring the liability of employers to make compensation on account of injured employees" (Senate, No. 618), be substituted, — was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Curran, George E.

Mr. McLane, Walter E. — 3.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Mahoney, John J.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 30.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. John Cronin (present),
Mr. William J. Foley (present),

NAYS.

Mr. Harold L. Perrin.
Mr. Joseph O. Knox. — 4.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. Augustus P. Loring,

Mr. David S. McIntosh. — 2.

So the amendment was rejected.

The question on adopting the amendment moved by Mr. Kearney was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Curran, George E.
Kearney, John J.

Messrs. McLane, Walter E.
Winchester, Charles A. — 4.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Curtin, John A.

Messrs. Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
 Jackson, George H.
 Mahoney, John J.
 Nason, Arthur L.
 Nichols, Malcolm E.
 Prescott, Francis

Messrs. Reed, Silas D.
 Smith, Charles S.
 Sullivan, Peter F.
 Tarbell, Warren E.
 Walsh, John J.
 Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 28.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

NAYS.

Mr. John Cronin (present),
 Mr. William J. Foley (present),
 Mr. Edward Callahan (present),

Mr. Harold L. Perrin.
 Mr. Joseph O. Knox.
 Mr. Augustus P. Loring. — 6.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. David S. McIntosh. — 1.

So the amendment was rejected.

The report was then accepted, in concurrence.

The House Bill to make certain corrections in and additions to the laws relating to the public schools (House, No. 1876), — was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading. Laws relating to the public schools, — corrections and additions.

Mr. Beck moved that the bill be amended by striking out section 3; and this amendment was rejected.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill to provide for the admission to State institutions of persons affected with incurable diseases (Senate, No. 629), — was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed. Persons affected with incurable diseases, — commitment.

Mr. Gifford moved that the bill be amended by substituting a "Resolve providing for investigation by the State Board of Charity relative to State provision for the care of settled persons suffering from incurable diseases" (printed as House, No. 1779).

Mr. Halliwell moved that the bill be amended in section 1, by striking out, in lines 4, 5 and 6, the words "by the same process and under the same regulations whereby State paupers are admitted to the State Infirmary"; and by striking out, in lines 7 and 8, the words "overseers of the poor or of the".

The question being put first on the latter motion (that motion having precedence), the same were adopted.

The amendment moved by Mr. Gifford was rejected.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck.

The Bill relative to the distribution of the tax on incomes (Senate, No. 567), — was read a second time. Income tax, — distribution.

Mr. Smith moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until the following Wednesday.

Mr. Gifford moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until the next session.

The motion of Mr. Smith was negatived.

The motion of Mr. Gifford prevailed; and, accordingly, the further consideration of the bill was postponed until the next session.

Massachusetts
School for
the Feeble-
Minded, —
spur railroad
track.

The House Bill authorizing the Commission on Mental Diseases to take land in the city of Waltham for a spur track (House, No. 1821), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Westborough
State Hospital,
— spur rail-
road track.

The House Bill authorizing the Commission on Mental Diseases to take land in the town of Northborough for a spur track (House, No. 1822), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Taunton State
Hospital, —
tablet in mem-
ory of Mary
Jane Flynn.

The House Resolve authorizing the trustees of the Taunton State Hospital to erect a tablet in memory of Mary Jane Flynn (printed as Senate, No. 569), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the resolve was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Lithuanian
independence.

The House Resolutions in favor of Lithuanian independence (House, No. 1834), — were adopted, in concurrence.

The resolutions were as follows: —

"Whereas, The future prosperity and peace of the world depend upon a just and equitable settlement of the problems of the European war whereby each and every nationality, however small, be granted the liberty to determine its own destiny and the opportunity of living its own life; and

"Whereas, The government of the United States of America is recognized as an ardent exponent of the rights of the small nations; and

"Whereas, The people of Lithuania, by their heroic conduct and voluntary sacrifices in the great war, have proved themselves worthy of the blessings of freedom; therefore be it

"Resolved, That it is the opinion of The General Court of Massachusetts that the ancient people of Lithuania ought to be free and independent, and that as a matter of elementary justice express provisions should be made at the Peace Conference for the purpose of granting and guaranteeing the complete independence of the Lithuanian people; and be it further

"Resolved, That copies of these resolutions be sent by the Secretary of the Commonwealth to the President of the United States, to the representatives of the United States at the Peace Conference and to the Senators in Congress from this Commonwealth."

Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck.

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The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no ^{House report.} legislation necessary, on so much of the report of the Attorney-General for the year ending January 15, 1919 (Pub. Doc. No. 12), as was referred to the committee, — was accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Eames, at sixteen minutes past two o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, June 30, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Philip A. Nordell of Boston.

Eamonn de Valera.

Eamonn de
Valera.

A committee of the House was announced, and the chairman thereof extended to the Senate an invitation agreeably to the provisions of the following order, which he read and which, he stated, had been adopted by the House: — "*Ordered*, That an invitation be extended to the Honorable Senate to be present in the House chamber on the occasion of the visit of President Eamonn de Valera of Ireland, and that a committee of five members of the House be appointed by the Speaker to extend this invitation."

On motion of Mr. Beck, the Senate accepted the invitation, and voted to attend in a body.

At quarter past two o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Brown, the Senate rose and, under the escort of the Sergeant-at-Arms, proceeded to the Chamber of the House of Representatives, where it listened to an address by Mr. de Valera.

At the conclusion thereof, the Senate returned to its Chamber.

Communication from the Attorney-General.

The following communication was received from the Attorney-General, to wit: —

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL,
BOSTON, June 28, 1919.

Hon. EDWIN T. MCKNIGHT, *President of the Senate.*

Attorney-
General, —
opinion rela-
tive to limita-
tions in con-
struction and
use of
buildings.

DEAR SIR: — I beg to acknowledge an order from the Honorable Senate in the following form:

"*Ordered*, That the Senate request the opinion of the Attorney-General on the question whether Article LX of the Amendments to the Constitution empowers the General Court to authorize cities and towns to limit buildings according to their use and construction to specified districts thereof, and more especially whether House Bill No. 635 would be constitutional if enacted into law."

Article LX of the Amendments to the Constitution provides as follows:

"The General Court shall have power to limit buildings according to their use or construction to specified districts of cities and towns."

House Bill No. 635 is entitled "An Act to authorize cities and towns to limit buildings according to their use or construction." Its essential provision is as follows:

"SECTION 1. A city or town may by ordinances or by-laws not inconsistent with law and applicable throughout the whole or any defined part of its territory limit buildings according to their use or construction except such as are owned or occupied by the United States or by the Commonwealth and may prescribe penalties not exceeding one hundred dollars for each violation of such ordinances or by-laws."

The phraseology of this section seems somewhat incomplete, in that it does not clearly state the nature of the limitation which is to be imposed upon "buildings according to their use or construction." I assume that the purpose of the bill is merely to authorize cities and towns "to limit buildings according to their use or construction" to specified districts thereof.

This bill of itself imposes no limitation whatever upon the use or construction of buildings in any specified district of any city or town. It in no way establishes any general principle to be applied in imposing limitations of this character. It is merely a complete delegation to each of the cities and towns within the Commonwealth of the entire power granted to the General Court by Article LX of the Amendments. Thus, the sole question presented by the order is whether such a delegation of legislative power is authorized by the Constitution of the Commonwealth.

The principles of law applicable to the determination of such a question were clearly stated by the Supreme Judicial Court in *Brodhine v. Revere*, 182 Mass. 598, 600.

"It is well established in this Commonwealth and elsewhere, that the Legislature cannot delegate the general power to make laws, conferred upon it by a Constitution like that of Massachusetts. *Opinion of the Justices*, 160 Mass. 589. *Larum v. Olin*, 160 Mass. 102. *Stone v. Charlestown*, 114 Mass. 214. *State v. Hayes*, 61 N. H. 264. *Barto v. Himrod*, 4 Seld. 483. *Gloversville v. Howell*, 70 N. Y. 287. *Locke's appeal*, 72 Penn. St. 491. *State v. Morris County*, 7 Vroom, 72. *Harbor Commissioners v. Excelsior Redwood Co.*, 88 Cal. 491. *People v. Hurlbut*, 24 Mich. 44. This doctrine is held by the courts almost universally.

There is a well known exception to it, resting upon conditions existing from ancient times in most of the older States of the Union, which the Constitutions of the States generally recognize, namely, the existence of town or other local governmental organizations which have always been accustomed to exercise self-government in regard to local police regulations and other matters affecting peculiarly the interests of their own inhabitants. On this account the determination of matters of this kind has been held to be a proper exercise of local self-government which the Legislature may commit to a city or town. *Commonwealth v. Bennett*, 108 Mass. 27. *Stone v. Charlestown*, 114 Mass. 214. *Opinion of the Justices*, 160 Mass. 586, 589. *People v. Albertson*, 55 N. Y. 50. *Gloversville v. Howell*, 70 N. Y. 287. *State v. Morris County*, 7 Vroom, 72."

In my judgment, the proposed bill does not deal merely with local police regulations or other matters affecting peculiarly the interests of the inhabitants of the various cities and towns of the Commonwealth. It rather purports to delegate the whole power and duty to determine what restrictions shall be placed upon the use and construction of buildings in specified districts without establishing any general policy whatever as to the purposes of such regulation or the standard to be applied in connection therewith. The legislation authorized by this amendment was obviously intended to be something more than police regulations in

the interests of the public health, safety or morals. The amendment was entirely unnecessary to authorize such regulations. The determination of the question as to how far legislative power under this amendment can or should be exercised presents grave questions both of constitutional power, in view of the provisions of the Federal Constitution, and of legislative policy. Are certain kinds of business to be restricted to specified districts? Are manufacturing and mercantile buildings and, perhaps, even apartment-houses, to be excluded entirely from specified districts? Is the character or construction of buildings, even of those devoted merely to residential purposes, to be regulated as to their height, size, location with reference to public highways or to other buildings or as to their artistic or architectural qualities? All these matters so far as they are permissible matters of legislation under this amendment are left by the proposed bill entirely to the determination of cities and towns. Such general considerations of policy in a new field of legislation cannot, in my judgment, be said to be mere matters of local self-government.

Of course, the acceptance or rejection of a general scheme of regulation may often be left to individual municipalities. This is merely leaving to the local community the determination of the question whether the conditions there existing make it desirable to put in force therein a definite regulation. Then, too, the fitting of the administrative details of such a regulation into the particular conditions of a given community may be left to local authorities or to general administrative boards. Doubtless much could be left to local determination in this manner in definite legislation enacted under this amendment, but this subject need not now be discussed, since nothing of that sort is attempted by the bill under consideration.

Accordingly, I must advise you that, in my judgment, the General Court cannot completely delegate to cities and towns the powers granted to it by Article LX of the Amendments to the Constitution and that House Bill No. 635 would be unconstitutional if enacted into law.

Yours very truly,
 HENRY C. ATTWILL,
Attorney-General.

The communication was read, was ordered to be printed (see Senate, No. 632), and was placed on file.

Report of a Committee.

Norfolk State
 Hospital, —
 Federal control.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Resolve authorizing the leasing of the Norfolk State Hospital to the Federal government (House, No. 1865, amended), ought to pass;

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Committee Discharged.

Mr. Jackson, for the committee on Cities, reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 619) of Edward F. McLaughlin that the city of Boston be authorized to provide shelter for its inhabitants, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Municipal Finance.

The report was read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill to authorize the city of Boston to take certain land of the Commonwealth and of certain cemeteries for the improvement of Canterbury and Walk Hill streets (House, No. 1857, on the petition of Frank B. Phinney), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill relative to evidence as to the market value of real estate taken or injured under authority of law (House, No. 1835, on the petition of Henry C. Attwill), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

The Senate Bill to authorize the Sergeant-at-Arms to employ additional watchmen at the State House (Senate, No. 582, changed), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the following amendments; In section 1 (as changed), striking out, in line 3, the word "eleven", and inserting in place thereof the word "twelve"; and in section 2, striking out, in line 3, the words "during the present", and inserting in place thereof the words "in time of".

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the amendments were considered forthwith and were adopted, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

The Senate Resolve authorizing the purchase of a book containing portraits and biographical sketches of members of the General Court of 1919 (Senate, No. 322), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment inserting in line 4, after the word "dollars", the words "to be paid from such appropriation as may hereafter be made by the General Court."

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the amendment was considered forthwith, and was adopted, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

A Report of the new committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches with reference to the engrossed Bill to permit absent voters to vote at State elections (see Senate, No. 326, amended), — recommending that the Senate recede from its non-concurrence in the House amendments striking out sections 11 and 12, and concur therein; that the

Boston, —
shelter for
inhabitants.

Boston, —
improvement
of Canterbury
and Walk Hill
streets.

Real estate
taken by
eminent
domain, —
market value.

State House,
— additional
watchmen.

Members of
the General
Court, —
portraits and
biographical
sketches.

Committee of
conference, —
State elections,
— absentee
voting.

House recede from its amendment adding a new section 29; and that the bill be further amended as follows: In section 16, by striking out (in lines 2, 3 and 4 of the bill as printed) the words "day and hour set for holding the count of absent ballots specified in section twelve", and inserting in place thereof the words "hour fixed for the closing of the polls on the day of election"; by striking out sections 22, 23 and 24; and by adding the following new section: "SECTION 29. Section twenty-eight of this act shall take effect ninety days after the passage thereof; otherwise this act shall take effect on the first day of January, nineteen hundred and twenty."— was read and, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Hobbs, was considered forthwith and was accepted, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Pilgrim
Highway.

A Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the special report of the Massachusetts Highway Commission and the Metropolitan Park Commission relative to the cost of constructing that portion of the proposed Pilgrim Highway running from Atlantic in the city of Quincy to the Fore River bridge (House, No. 1840) (Mr. Clark of Boston, of the House, dissenting), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Members of
the General
Court, —
court engage-
ments.

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to the House petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1886) of Lloyd Makepeace relative to attendance in court by attorneys who are members of the General Court; and, accordingly, under the said rule, the petition was referred to the next General Court.

Lynn, —
pensioning of
Orlando Mayo.

House petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1884) of Orlando Mayo that the city of Lynn be authorized to pay to him a pension; and

Boston, —
annuity for
widow of Adolf
Butterman.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1885) of Patrick J. Crowley that the city of Boston be authorized to pay an annuity to the widow of Adolf Butterman;

Severally, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, in each instance, to the committee on Cities.

Haverhill, —
interest on
water bonds.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1887) of Isaac Poor and others relative to the rate of interest on bonds issued by the city of Haverhill for water supply purposes; and

Salem, —
enlargement of
water system.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1888) of Denis J. Sullivan and others that the city of Salem be authorized to complete the enlargement of its water system;

Severally, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, in each instance, to the committee on Municipal Finance.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first six of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To determine the number of children retarded in mental development and to provide for their instruction;

Relative to the salary of the Deputy Tax Commissioner;
To provide for the licensing and regulation of private detectives;

To regulate the mileage allowance of members and certain employees of the General Court;

Relative to the salaries of the members, secretary and medical adviser of the Industrial Accident Board;

To establish a special fund in the custody of the Treasurer and Receiver-General for the purpose of paying additional compensation to certain injured employees;

Granting the consent of the Commonwealth to the purchase by the United States of certain lands in South Boston, and ceding jurisdiction thereover;

Relative to appeals from the probate courts;

Relative to the publication of town by-laws;

To establish the salary of the Lieutenant-Governor of the Commonwealth; and

Relative to the compensation of certain employees of the counties of the Commonwealth and of the court officers of the municipal court of the city of Boston.

The following engrossed resolves (both of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed and, with the above-named bills, were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

In favor of the first assistant clerk of courts for the county of Plymouth; and Resolves passed, etc.

To provide for an investigation by a special commission as to the training of disabled soldiers and sailors and of related matters.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Bill to provide additional methods of guaranteeing compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Act (Senate, No. 75), — was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading. Industrial accidents, — additional methods of compensation.

Mr. Callahan moved that the bill be referred to the next General Court; and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.

Messrs. Halliwell, John
Kearney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 13.

NAYS.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Curtin, John A.

Messrs. Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Nichols, Malcolm E.

Messrs. Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 21.

YEAS.

Mr. Arthur L. Nason,
Mr. John J. Mahoney (present),

PAIRED.

NAYS.

Mr. Harold L. Perrin (present).
Mr. David S. McIntosh. — 4.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. Edward A. Counihan, Jr. — 1.

So the Senate refused to refer the bill to the next General Court.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 21 to 14.

Income tax, —
distribution.

The Bill relative to the distribution of the tax on incomes (Senate, No. 567), — was considered; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Wednesday, on motion of Mr. Smith.

Soldiers and
sailors, —
suitable
recognition.

The engrossed Bill to provide suitable recognition of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the army and navy of the United States during the war with Germany (see Senate, No. 631), — was considered, the question being on passing it to be enacted.

On motions of Mr. Beck, Senate Rule No. 49 was suspended and the bill was amended in section 2, by striking out the words "not including yeomen (F)"; and by inserting after section 16, the following new section: —

"SECTION 17. Yeomen (F) shall not be entitled to the benefits of this act."

Sent down for concurrence in the amendments. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, of further motion of the same Senator.

Treasurer and
Receiver-
General, —
salary.

The Senate Bill to establish the salary of the Treasurer and Receiver-General (Senate, No. 66), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time.

Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by adding the following new section: — "SECTION 2. This act shall not take effect until a sufficient appropriation is made at the current session of the General Court, and then as of the first day of June in the current year."

This amendment was adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of Mr. Beck.

The Senate Bill to establish the salary of the Auditor of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 67), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time. Auditor of the Commonwealth, — salary.

Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by adding the following new section: "SECTION 2. This act shall not take effect until a sufficient appropriation is made at the current session of the General Court, and then as of the first day of June in the current year."

This amendment was adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of Mr. Beck.

The Senate Bill regulating the sale of alcohol (Senate, No. 626), — was read a second time and was amended, on motion of Mr. Walsh, by striking out section 6. The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading. Alcohol.

The Senate Bill relative to maintaining or increasing unreasonably the price of any necessary of life (Senate, No. 628, — was read a second time and was amended, on motion of Mr. Walsh, as follows: By striking out, in line 3, the words "a crime", and inserting in place thereof the word "unlawful"; and by adding the following new section: "Section 2. Prosecutions under this act shall be under the control of and shall be conducted by the Attorney-General of the Commonwealth or by an assistant designated by him for the purpose." Necessaries of life, — unreasonable increase in price.

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

The House Bill to make certain corrections in and additions to the laws relating to the public schools (House, No. 1876), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck. House bill.

On motion of Mr. Gifford, at twenty-five minutes past five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, July 1, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. McLane, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House bills

Boston, —
improvement
of Canterbury
and Walk Hill
streets.

Tanks or
containers.

To authorize the city of Boston to take certain land of the Commonwealth and of certain cemeteries for the improvement of Canterbury and Walk Hill streets (House, No. 1857); and

Relative to the use of tanks or containers for the storage of fluids other than water (House, No. 1882), — severally, ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Lynn, —
Orlando Mayo.

By Mr. Jackson, for the committee on Cities, on the petition of the same, a Bill to authorize the city of Lynn to pay a pension to Orlando Mayo (printed as House, No. 1884); and

Soldiers' Home
in Chelsea, —
danger from
fire.

By Mr. McLane, for the joint committee on Ways and Means, on the report of the joint special committee appointed to investigate fire hazard existing at the Soldiers' Home in Chelsea (Senate, No. 543), a Resolve to provide for an investigation to determine proper building plans for reducing the danger of fire for the Soldiers' Home in Chelsea (Senate, No. 633);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Message from
Governor, —
compensation
for certain
losses by bomb
explosions.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the message from His Excellency the Governor recommending that certain public officials be compensated for damage to their residences caused by the explosion of bombs (House, No. 1820);

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Reconsideration.

Members of
the General
Court, —
court engage-
ments.

On motion of Mr. Beck, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to the House petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1886) of Lloyd Makepeace relative to attendance in court by attorneys who are members of the General Court.

On the recurring question, the rule was suspended, in concurrence, and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Cavanagh, the Bill relative to boating and fishing in great ponds (House, No. 1734), — was taken from the table and considered; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Reed.

Great ponds, —
boating and
fishing.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill relative to the absence of the present justice of the Central District Court of Worcester (House, No. 1873, — on the petition of Harry A. Cooke, accompanied by bill, House, No. 814); and

Central Dis-
trict Court of
Worcester, —
present justice.

A Resolve authorizing the payment of a sum of money to the Cavanaugh Brothers Horse Company (House, No. 1878, — on the petition of William E. Russell, accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 493) (Mr. Tarbell, of the Senate, and Mr. Whidden of Brookline, of the House, dissenting);

Cavanaugh
Brothers
Horse
Company.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

The Senate Bill to provide for the improvement of the highway in the town of Middlefield leading from Chester to Worthington (Senate, No. 125, changed and amended), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the following amendments: In section 1, inserting after the word "dollars", in line 3, the words "to be paid from item number three hundred and thirty-six of the general appropriation act"; and striking out section 2.

Middlefield,
— highway
improvement.

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Churchill, and the amendments were considered forthwith and were adopted, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

The Senate Bill to promote Americanization through the education of adult persons unable to use the English language (Senate, No. 616), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out section 4, and inserting in place thereof the following: "SECTION 4. For the purposes of this act the board may expend during the present fiscal year such sum, not exceeding ten thousand dollars, as may hereafter be appropriated, and thereafter may expend such sums as may annually be appropriated."

Adults, — use
of the English
language.

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Churchill, and the amendment was considered forthwith and was adopted, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

A Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1837) of James J. Mellen that the Commonwealth be authorized to compensate and reimburse the Hugh Nawn Contracting Company (Mr. Nichols, of the Senate, and Messrs. James H. Brennan of Boston and Costello of Boston, of the House, dissenting), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Hugh Nawn
Contracting
Company.

Emergency Preambles Adopted.

Beverly
Harbor, —
improvement.

An engrossed Bill relative to the appropriation for the improvement of Beverly Harbor (see House, No. 1788, amended), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 34.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Curtin, John A.

Messrs. Dahlborg, Edward N.
Jackson, George H. — 5.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Watertown, —
completion of
North Beacon
Street.

An engrossed Bill to provide for the exchange of certain lands and rights in land between the United States and the Commonwealth, situated in Watertown, and to complete the construction of North Beacon Street in said town (see House, No. 1861), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Eames, Edward B.

Messrs. Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.

Messrs. Knox, Joseph O.
 Loring, Augustus P.
 Mahoney, John J.
 McIntosh, David S.
 McLane, Walter E.
 Nason, Arthur L.
 Nichols, Malcolm E.
 Perrin, Harold L.

Messrs. Prescott, Francis
 Reed, Silas D.
 Smith, Charles S.
 Sullivan, Peter F.
 Tarbell, Warren E.
 Walsh, John J.
 Weston, Thomas, Jr.
 Winchester, Charles A. — 36.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Colburn, Arthur W.
 Curtin, John A.

Mr. Edward N. Dahlborg. — 3.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

To authorize the city of Lynn to accept in trust a conveyance of the Grand Army building in that city; Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

Relative to compulsory school attendance;

To establish a salary in the department of The Adjutant General;

Authorizing the Commission on Mental Diseases to take land in the city of Waltham for a spur track; and

Authorizing the Commission on Mental Diseases to take land in the town of Northborough for a spur track.

An engrossed Resolve authorizing the trustees of the Taunton State Hospital to erect a tablet in memory of Mary Jane Flynn (which originated in the House), — was passed and, with the above-named bills, was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation. Resolve passed, etc.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Bill relative to evidence as to the market value of real estate taken or injured under authority of law (House, No. 1835), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. Bill.

The House Resolve authorizing the leasing of the Norfolk State Hospital to the Federal government (House, No. 1865, amended), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. McLane, and the resolve was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator. Norfolk State Hospital, — Federal control.

The Senate bills

Regulating the sale of alcohol (Senate, No. 626, amended); Senate bill.
 and

Senate bill.

Relative to maintaining or increasing unreasonably the price of any necessary of life (Senate, No. 628, amended);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, in each instance, on motion of Mr. Walsh.

**Buildings, —
limitation in
use and con-
struction.**

The Senate Bill to authorize cities and towns to limit buildings according to their use or construction (printed as House, No. 635), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be referred to the next General Court, pending the adaptation of its provisions to the requirements of the Constitution; and the bill was so referred.

House report.

The House Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, reference to the next General Court, on the special report of the Massachusetts Highway Commission and the Metropolitan Park Commission relative to the cost of constructing that portion of the proposed Pilgrim Highway running from Atlantic in the city of Quincy to the Fore River bridge (House, No. 1840), — was accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Curran, at twenty-six minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, July 2, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Lieutenant John M. Burke, 100th Aero Squadron.

Lieutenant John M. Burke of Chelsea of the 100th Aero Squadron was introduced by the President and gave an interesting description of the work of the aviators in the war.

Lieutenant
John M.
Burke, 100th
Aero Squadron.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. McLane, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Resolve authorizing the payment of a sum of money to the Cavanaugh Brothers Horse Company (House, No. 1878), ought to pass;

Cavanaugh
Brothers
Horse
Company.

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the House Bill relative to the absence of the present Justice of the Central District Court of Worcester (House, No. 1873), ought not to pass;

Central District
Court of
Worcester,—
absence of
present
Justice.

Read, and the bill placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on rejecting it.

By Mr. Curran, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to establish the salaries of the clerks and the assistant clerks of the municipal court of the city of Boston for civil and criminal business (printed as House, No. 131), ought to pass (in part) in a new draft entitled "An Act to establish the salaries of the clerks and the assistant clerks of the municipal court of the city of Boston for civil business" (Senate, No. 634);

Boston,—
municipal
court for
civil business.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to establish the salaries of the clerks and the assistant clerks of the municipal court of the city of Boston for civil and criminal business (printed as House, No. 131), ought to pass (in part) in a new draft entitled "An Act to establish the salaries of the clerks and the assistant clerks of the municipal court of the city of Boston for criminal business" (Senate, No. 635); and

Boston,—
municipal
court for
criminal
business.

By Mr. Foley, for the committee on Cities, on the petition of Patrick J. Crowley, a Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay an annuity to the widow of Adolf Buttermann (printed as House, No. 1885);

Boston,—
widow of
Adolph
Buttermann.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

Boston, —
taxes.

On motion of Mr. Mahoney, the Senate Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 214) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to taxes in the said city, — was taken from the table; and the report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of the same Senator.

Senate and
House of
Representatives — salaries
of assistant
clerks.

On motion of Mr. Hastings, the engrossed Bill to establish the salary of William H. Sanger as assistant clerk of the Senate and the salary of Frank E. Bridgman as assistant clerk of the House of Representatives (see Senate, No. 159, amended), — was taken from the table and considered, the recurring question being on passing it to be enacted; and the bill was rejected.

Orders Adopted.

Mr. Beck offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —

Joint com-
mittees, —
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the following joint committees are required, under the provisions of the 10th joint rule, to make final report upon all matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended to Monday, July 7, to wit: —

Judiciary, Legal Affairs, Taxation and Ways and Means.

Subsequently, the same Senator, for the joint committee on Rules, reported that the order ought to be adopted; and it was considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, further moved by Mr. Beck, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Beck, —

Senate, —
hour of
meeting
July 3; no
session
July 4.

Ordered, That the Senate meet on Thursday, July 3, at eleven o'clock A.M., and that there be no session on Friday, July 4.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Leominster, —
improvement
of Prospect
Street.

Relative to the improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of Prospect Street in the city of Leominster (House, No. 1293, amended, — on the petition of the mayor of said city);

Holland and
Brimfield, —
highway
improvement.

To provide for the construction and improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a highway in the towns of Holland and Brimfield (House, No. 1642, amended, — new draft of bill, House, No. 231, taken from the House files);

Leicester,
— highway
around
Leicester
Hill.

To provide for the laying out by the county of Worcester and the construction by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a highway around Leicester Hill in the town of Leicester (House, No. 1651, — on the petition of Edgar J. Buck, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1292);

To provide for the improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of the highway between the town of Holden and the Wachusett Mountain State Reservation (House, No. 1661, amended, — on the petition of George C. Hudson and another, accompanied by bill, House, No. 694); and

Holden and
Wachusett
Reservation,
— highway
improvement.

To establish the salary of Ellen Mudge Burrill as cashier and executive secretary to the Sergeant-at-Arms (House, No. 1891, — new draft of House, No. 242, introduced on leave); and

Ellen Mudge
Burrill, —
salary.

A Resolve in favor of the widow of Robert Herter (House, No. 1889, — new draft of Senate Resolve No. 614);

Widow of
Robert Herter.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill relative to the payment of dividends or interest on deposits in the savings departments of trust companies (House, No. 1892, — on the petition of Alvin E. Bliss, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1766), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Trust
companies,
— interest
on deposits.

The Senate Resolve to provide for an investigation relative to the construction of a State highway in the town of Williamstown (Senate, No. 496, amended), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment inserting after the word "dollars", in line 11, the words "to be paid from item number three hundred and thirty-six of the general appropriation act".

Williamstown,
— highway
improvement.

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, and the amendment was considered forthwith and was adopted, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Bill relative to boating and fishing in great ponds (House, No. 1734), — was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Great ponds, —
boating and
fishing.

On motion of Mr. Beck the bill was referred to the next General Court.

The Senate Bill relative to the distribution of the tax on incomes (Senate, No. 567), — was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Income tax, —
distribution.

Mr. Weston moved that the bill be referred to the next General Court.

Mr. Smith moved that the bill be amended by striking out section 3; and this amendment was rejected.

The motion of Mr. Weston was negatived.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill to authorize the city of Lynn to pay a pension to Orlando Mayo (printed as House, No. 1884), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were

Lynn, —
Orlando Mayo.

suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read as follows: "An Act to authorize the city of Lynn to pension Orlando Mayo."

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Boston, —
improvement
of Canterbury
and Walk Hill
streets.

The House Bill to authorize the city of Boston to take certain land of the Commonwealth and of certain cemeteries for the improvement of Canterbury and Walk Hill streets (House, No. 1857), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read as follows: "An Act to authorize the city of Boston to acquire certain land for street improvements." Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Bill.

The Bill relative to the use of tanks or containers for the storage of fluids other than water (House, No. 1882), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Soldiers' Home
in Chelsea, —
danger from
fire.

The Senate Resolve to provide for an investigation to determine proper building plans for reducing the danger of fire for the Soldiers' Home in Chelsea (Senate, No. 633), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the resolve was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read as follows: "Resolve to provide for an investigation with a view to reducing the danger of fire at the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts."

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Workmen's
Compensation
Act, — guaran-
teeing of
compensation.

The Senate Bill to provide additional methods of guaranteeing compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Act (Senate, No. 75), — was read a third time.

Mr. Kearney moved that the bill be referred to the next General Court; and this motion was negatived.

Mr. Callahan moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until the next session; and this motion was negatived.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. McLane.

Message from
Governor, —
compensation
for certain
losses by bomb
explosions.

The Senate Report of the joint committee on Ways and Means, no legislation necessary, on the message from His Excellency the Governor recommending that certain public officials be compensated for damage to their residences caused by the explosion of bombs (House, No. 1820), — was considered; and, pending the

question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of Mr. Curran.

The House Report of the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, House report. leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1837) of James J. Mellen that the Commonwealth be authorized to compensate and reimburse the Hugh Nawn Contracting Company, — was accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Foley, at twelve minutes past five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

THURSDAY, July 3, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Questions of Privilege in connection with the visit of Eamonn de Valera.

Senator Cavanagh, rising to a question of privilege, spoke as follows:—

Senator
Cavanagh.

"An incident which occurred last week has been so reported and commented upon by the Press as to place the Massachusetts Senate and some of its members, and particularly its President, in a wrong position.

"It would appear from the newspaper reports that the order introduced into the Senate inviting the distinguished Eamonn de Valera to address the Senate was similar to the order that was adopted by the House of Representatives. The order which was read in the Senate was so worded according to the understanding of many of the Senators that it was a virtual recognition by the Senate of the Irish Republic and Eamonn de Valera, as President, while the order adopted by the House was merely an invitation for the distinguished visitor to visit and address the House.

"Had an order similar to that which was adopted by the House been presented in the Senate the President of the Senate would not have objected to it.

"The Senate recognized the distinguished visitor who came representing the Irish Cause by formally accepting the invitation of the House to join with it in receiving him, and proceeded officially under the escort of the Sergeant-at-Arms to the House of Representatives where the Senate united with the House in extending a cordial greeting to the distinguished visitor."

Senator
Walsh.

Mr. Walsh of Suffolk, rising to a question of privilege, said:—

"Mr. President, I am glad that this matter comes before us in such a way that we can correct a wrong impression and prevent injustice being done to any one. As I was born in Ireland and am proud of that heritage, as well as of my American citizenship, I should be the first to resent any word or action which might be construed into hostility to the demands of the Irish people or of any people for the right to determine their own form of self-government. To me the Irish Republic is a fact. It exists in the hearts and sentiments of all true Irishmen. Eamonn de Valera is its real president. He is the chosen leader of the great majority of the Irish people, and he represents also the aspirations of millions of Irish blood throughout the world. I think the recognition of the Irish Republic in the nature of things is inevitable, and I think the day is at hand when we shall have the great privilege here and everywhere of

acclaiming it as a reality; but unhappily it is not yet recognized by the American Nation, and the recognition of new states is a matter of national concern and is not the business or privilege of any state.

"As I heard read the order introduced in the chamber last Friday, I understood it, as did the Honorable Senator from Middlesex, as involving a recognition of the Irish Republic, — a thing which is not within the power of this legislative chamber to do. I am quite sure that the language of the order introduced in this chamber was not identical with that which I afterwards saw published as the order passed by the House. I am likewise sure that other Senators of Irish blood who were present, understood the order as involving a recognition of the Irish Republic. They, like myself, would not support an improper order and, further, would have been prompt to resent the rejection of any order the limit of which was to do honor merely to the distinguished visitor, who is accepted by the majority of the Irish people as its president. And certainly, also, I am disinclined to be among those who will permit an unjust attack upon the President of this body, when I know from my private knowledge of the man that such an attack is unwarranted and utterly repugnant to all that I know about him in his private life.

"It seemed to me at the time the order was presented that the Honorable Senator from Suffolk, who stood sponsor for it, was acting with the finest intentions in the world but that he had been misinformed as to the procedure which would have been proper under the circumstances.

"I feel that under the peculiar circumstances of the case the President of this chamber acted within his rights as the presiding officer of an American legislative assembly bound by rules of order."

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. McLane, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill to establish the salary of Ellen Mudge Burrill as cashier and executive secretary to the Sergeant-at-Arms (House, No. 1891), ought to pass;

Ellen Mudge Burrill, — salary.

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Reed, for the committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of George Louis Richards, a Bill to authorize the use of armories by veterans of the war with Germany (printed as House, No. 1872);

Armories, — use by veterans of war with Germany.

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Reed, the Senate Report of the committee on Railroads, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 121) of Silas D. Reed that the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company be required to resume certain evening passenger service between the city of Boston and the cities of Taunton, New Bedford and Fall

New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company, — evening passenger service.

River, and for legislation relative to any other railroad within the Commonwealth, — was taken from the table; and the report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of the same Senator.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Aircraft.

To regulate the use of aircraft (House, No. 1896, changed, — new draft of Senate Bill No. 593); and

State boards
and commis-
sions, —
reorganisation.

To organize in departments the executive and administrative functions of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1900, — new draft of Senate Bill No. 435 and of House Bill No. 984; and based also on so much of the Governor's Address (Senate, No. 1) as relates to "Administration"; so much of the recommendations of the Supervisor of Administration (House, No. 322) as relates to the Commissioner of Public Records, and to the Trustees of Hospitals for Consumptives (accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 326 and 327); and the special reports of the Supervisor of Administration, House, Nos. 1017, 1357, 1378, 1414 and 1430; and also on the petition of Augustus P. Loring and Clarence W. Hobbs, Jr., accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 3; the petition of Lewis R. Sullivan, accompanied by bill, House, No. 50; the petition of the Massachusetts Forestry Association, accompanied by bill, House, No. 51; the petition of Alfred Davenport, accompanied by bill, House, No. 52; the petition of Edward A. Scigliano, accompanied by bill, House, No. 558; the petition of Frank H. Cowin, accompanied by bill, House, No. 724; the petitions of the Highway Safety League, accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 725 and 819; and the petition of March G. Bennett, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1022);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Lowell, —
indebtedness
for high school
purposes.

A Bill to authorize the city of Lowell to incur indebtedness for high school purposes (House, No. 1895, — on the petition of John H. Lambert and others, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1844) (Messrs. Hudson and Bartlett, of the House, dissenting), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Port of Boston,
— attitude of
United States
Shipping
Board.

Resolutions protesting against the attitude of the United States Shipping Board toward the port of Boston (printed as Senate, No. 620), — were read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Emergency Preamble Adopted.

State House,
— additional
watchmen.

An engrossed Bill to authorize the Sergeant-at-Arms to employ additional watchmen at the State House (see Senate, No. 582, changed and amended), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Jackson, George H.

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 27.

NAYS.—0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
McIntosh, David S.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis — 12.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

The engrossed Bill to provide suitable recognition of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the army and navy of the United States during the war with Germany (see Senate, No. 631, amended), — was put upon its final passage; and, it being a bill that provided for the borrowing of money in accordance with the provisions of Section 3 of Article LXII of the Amendments of the Constitution, the question on passing it to be enacted was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as follows, to wit: —

Soldiers and
sailors —
suitable
recognition.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.

Messrs. Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McKnight, Edwin T.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 29.

NAYS.—0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Curtin, John A.
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Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
McIntosh, David S.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis — 11.

So the bill was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

The following engrossed bills (the first six of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

To provide for the improvement of the highway between the towns of Belchertown and Amherst;

To provide for the travelling expenses of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial and Superior courts;

To authorize the reorganization and consolidation of certain departments of the city of Boston;

Relative to the attendance of a child at school in some city or town other than that in which the parent or guardian resides;

To provide for the exchange of certain lands and rights in land between the United States and the Commonwealth, situated in Watertown, and to complete the construction of North Beacon Street in said town;

To permit absent voters to vote at State elections;

To establish the salaries of sheriffs in certain counties;

Relative to the appropriation for the improvement of Beverly Harbor;

Relative to State and military aid and to the burial of indigent soldiers and sailors; and

Relative to the taxation of persons engaged in the business of dealing in intangible personal property.

The following engrossed resolves (both of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed and, with the above-named bills, were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Resolves
passed, etc.

To provide for an investigation relative to providing financial protection to the public against damages caused by motor-vehicle accidents; and

Authorizing the purchase of a book containing portraits and biographical sketches of members of the General Court of nineteen hundred and nineteen.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Boston, —
municipal
court for
civil business;
salaries.

The Senate Bill to establish the salaries of the clerks and the assistant clerks of the municipal court of the city of Boston for civil business (Senate, No. 634), — was read a second time.

Mr. Walsh moved that the bill be amended by striking out, in line 13, the words "nineteen hundred", and inserting in place thereof the words "two thousand"; and this amendment was rejected, by a vote of 3 to 8.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Mahoney, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read as follows: "An Act to establish the salaries of the clerk and the assistant clerks of the municipal court of the city of Boston for civil business."

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

The Senate Bill to establish the salaries of the clerks and the assistant clerks of the municipal court of the city of Boston for criminal business (Senate, No. 635), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Winchester, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read as follows: "An Act to establish the salaries of the clerk and the assistant clerks of the municipal court of the city of Boston for criminal business."

Boston, —
municipal
court for
criminal
business;
salaries.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Curran.

The Senate Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay an annuity to the widow of Adolf Buttermann (printed as House, No. 1885), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Mahoney, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Boston, —
widow of
Adolf
Buttermann.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

The House Bill relative to the payment of dividends or interest on deposits in the savings departments of trust companies (House, No. 1892), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Beck, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session.

Trust
companies,
— interest
on deposits.

The House Resolve authorizing the payment of a sum of money to the Cavanaugh Brothers Horse Company (House, No. 1878), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Gifford, and the resolve was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Cavanaugh
Brothers
Horse
Company.

The House Bill relative to the absence of the present Justice of the Central District Court of Worcester (House, No. 1873), — was rejected, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means.

Central Dis-
trict Court of
Worcester, —
absence of
present
Justice.

The Senate Bill relative to the distribution of the tax on incomes (Senate, No. 567), — was read a third time.

Income tax, —
distribution.

Mr. Smith moved that the bill be amended by striking out section 3; and this amendment was rejected.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Hardy of Worcester.

Real estate, —
evidence of
value.

The House Bill to provide that the assessors' valuation shall be evidence of the value of real estate in certain proceedings relating to the registration of land (House, No. 1835) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Nichols.

Tanks or
containers.

The House Bill relative to the use of tanks or containers for the storage of fluids other than water (House, No. 1882), — was read a third time.

Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended as follows: —

In section 1, by inserting after the word "the", in line 6, the words "chief of the"; and by adding at the end of said section the words "or, in the metropolitan district, from the Fire Prevention Commissioner."; and

In section 2, by inserting after the word "The", in line 1, the words "chief of the"; and by inserting after the word "police", in the same line, the words "and the Fire Prevention Commissioner within their respective jurisdictions".

Pending these amendments and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Reed.

On motion of Mr. Reed, at twenty-five minutes past twelve o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, July 7, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Bill Returned by the Governor with Recommendation of
Amendment.*

The engrossed Bill relative to the salaries of the members, secretary and medical adviser of the Industrial Accident Board (which originated in the Senate) (see House Bill No. 1849, amended), — which, on June 30, had been laid before the Governor for his approbation, and which, on Saturday, July 5, had been returned by His Excellency to the office of the clerk of the Senate, together with a message relating thereto, — was laid before the Senate. The message was as follows: —

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, July 5, 1919.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

Under the authority of the Constitution a bill entitled “An ^{Industrial} Act Relative to the Salaries of the Members, Secretary and ^{Accident} Medical Advisers of the Industrial Accident Board,” being ^{Board:} House No. 1849, is herewith returned with a recommendation ^{salaries.} for amendment, as follows: —

SECTION 3. From and after the expiration of the term of the first retiring member of said board, the board shall consist of six members. In case of a resignation or other vacancy in the meantime such vacancy shall not be filled.

After investigation of the work of the board and the increased facilities for the transaction of business since the use of arbitrators has been abolished, it is apparent that six members giving their full time as is required by the bill, will be sufficient to transact speedily and properly the work of the board. This plan will lead to increased efficiency and leave the expense to be borne by the Commonwealth about the same as it is at present.

CALVIN COOLIDGE.

The message (Senate, No. 636) was read and the Senate proceeded to consider the bill, in accordance with the provisions of Article LVI of the Amendments of the Constitution.

The question was stated on adopting the following amendment recommended by His Excellency the Governor, to wit: —

Adding the following new section: “SECTION 3. From and after the expiration of the term of the first retiring member of said board, the board shall consist of six members. In case

of a resignation or other vacancy in the meantime such vacancy shall not be filled."

Pending the question on adopting the amendment, the further consideration of the bill was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Halliwell.

Reports of a Committee.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House bills

Holland and
Brimfield, —
highway.

To provide for the construction and improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a highway in the towns of Holland and Brimfield (House, No. 1642, amended);

Leicester, —
highway
around
Leicester Hill.

To provide for the laying out by the county of Worcester and the construction by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a highway around Leicester Hill in the town of Leicester (House, No. 1651); and

Holden and
Wachusett
Reservation,
— highway
improvement.

To provide for the improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of the highway between the town of Holden and the Wachusett Mountain State Reservation (House, No. 1661, amended), — severally, ought to pass; and

Armories, —
used by
veterans of
war with
Germany.

By Mr. McLane, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to authorize the use of armories by veterans of the war with Germany (printed as House, No. 1872); and

The House bills

Leominster, —
improvement
of Prospect
Street.

Relative to the improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of Prospect Street in the city of Leominster (House, No. 1293, amended); and

Aircraft.

To regulate the use of aircraft (House, No. 1896, changed), — severally, ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Motion to Reconsider.

Central Dis-
trict Court of
Worcester, —
absence of
present
Justice.

Mr. Tarbell moved that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had rejected the House Bill relative to the absence of the present Justice of the Central District Court of Worcester (House, No. 1873).

The same Senator moved that the further consideration of the motion to reconsider be postponed until the next session; and this motion was negatived.

The motion to reconsider was negatived, by a vote of 10 to 12.

Orders Adopted.

Mr. Beck offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —

Joint com-
mittees, —
reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the following joint committees are required, under the provisions of the 10th joint rule, to make final report upon all matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended to Friday, July 11, to wit: —

Judiciary, Legal Affairs, Taxation and Ways and Means.

Subsequently, the same Senator, for the joint committee on Rules, reported that the order ought to be adopted; and it was considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, further moved by Mr. Beck, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Beck offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit:—

Ordered, That the time within which the joint committee on Metropolitan Affairs is required, under the 10th joint rule, to make final report on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1308) of Charles Logue and others relative to the housing of the people of the city of Boston, which was referred to the committee previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended to Wednesday, July 9.

Committee on
Metropolitan
Affairs, —
reports.

Subsequently, the same Senator, for the joint committee on Rules, reported that the order ought to be adopted; and it was considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, further moved by Mr. Beck, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

To authorize the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Bristol to employ additional clerical assistance (House, No. 1758, changed, — on the petition of Guilford C. Hathaway);

Bristol
County, —
assistance for
register of
probate.

Authorizing the county commissioners of the county of Essex to construct a bridge over Ipswich River in the town of Topsfield (House, No. 1877, on the petition of the selectmen of said town);

Essex County,
— bridge over
Ipswich River
in Topsfield.

To establish the Purgatory Chasm State Reservation in the county of Worcester (House, No. 1890, — new draft of the bill, House, No. 179, taken from the House files); and

Purgatory
Chasm State
Reservation.

To provide for the admission to State institutions of persons affected with incurable diseases (House, No. 1897, amended, — new draft of Senate Bill No. 629, amended);

State institu-
tions, —
admissions.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill to make certain corrections in the statutes to conform to the Constitution as amended (House, No. 1879, — on the report of the commission relative thereto, House, No. 1270, in part); and

General laws,
— corrections.

A Resolve in favor of the widow of Charles F. Gray (House, No. 1898, — on the petition of John C. Gilbert and others, accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1672);

Widow of
Charles F.
Gray.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

The Senate Bill regulating the sale of alcohol (Senate, No. 626, amended), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment in section 1, striking out, in line 7, the word

Alcohol.

"alcohol", and inserting in place thereof the words "either of the said alcohols".

Under the rule, the amendment was placed in the Orders of Day for the next session, the question being on adopting it, in concurrence.

Notice was received from the House that the following Senate bills had severally been referred by the House to the next General Court:—

Certain high-ways, — passable during winter months.

Bill to authorize the Massachusetts Highway Commission to keep certain highways on main through routes passable for motor-vehicles during the coming winter months (Senate, No. 573);

Maternity period, — protection of mothers.

Bill to protect mothers and children during the maternity period (Senate, No. 612); and

Blandford and Great Barrington, — highway improvement.

Bill to provide for the construction of a highway from the town of Blandford to the town of Great Barrington (printed as House, No. 313, amended).

Soldiers and sailors, — registration as chiroprodists.

House petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows:—

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1907) of George E. Wright relative to extending the time for applications for registration as chiroprodists to persons who were absent by reason of military service;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Legal Affairs.

Marion, — commission of public works.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1911) of George B. Crapo and others relative to an extension of the powers of the commission of public works in the town of Marion;

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Towns.

Emergency Preamble Adopted.

Adults, — instruction in English.

An engrossed Bill to promote Americanization through the education of adult persons unable to use the English language (see Senate, No. 616, amended), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 31.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.	Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Cronin, John	Kearney, John J.
Curtin, John A.	McIntosh, David S.
Eames, Edward B.	Perrin, Harold L.—8.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.
Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit:—

To provide for the improvement of the highway in the town of Middlefield leading from Chester to Worthington; and

Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

To make certain corrections in and additions to the laws relating to the public schools.

An engrossed Resolve authorizing the leasing of the Norfolk State Hospital to the Federal government (which originated in the House),— was passed and, with the above-named bills, were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Resolve passed, etc.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Report of the joint committee on Ways and Means, no legislation necessary, on the message from His Excellency the Governor recommending that certain public officials be compensated for damage to their residences caused by the explosion of bombs (House, No. 1820),— was considered, the question being on accepting it.

Message from Governor,— compensation for certain losses by bomb explosions.

Mr. McLane moved that the 5th joint rule be suspended, in order that a motion to recommit might be entertained; and the motion to suspend the rule was negatived.

Pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Gifford.

The House Bill relative to the payment of dividends or interest on deposits in the savings departments of trust companies (House, No. 1892),— was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Trust companies,— interest on deposits.

Mr. Walsh moved that the bill be amended in section 1, by inserting after the word “companies”, in line 5, the words “or in savings banks or institutions for savings”; and by striking out, in line 8, the words “trust company”, and inserting in place thereof the word “depository”; and these amendments were rejected, by a vote of 4 to 14.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

The House Bill relative to the use of tanks or containers for the storage of fluids other than water (House, No. 1882),— was

Tanks or containers.

considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate adopted the following pending amendments previously recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading:

In section 1, by inserting after the word "the", in line 6, the words "chief of the"; and by adding at the end of said section the words "or, in the metropolitan district, from the Fire Prevention Commissioner."; and

In section 2, by inserting after the word "The", in line 1, the words "chief of the"; and by inserting after the word "police", in the same line, the words "and the Fire Prevention Commissioner within their respective jurisdictions".

Mr. Reed moved that the bill, as amended, be referred to the next General Court; and this motion was negatived.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

Ellen Mudge
Burrill, —
salary.

The House Bill to establish the salary of Ellen Mudge Burrill as cashier and executive secretary to the Sergeant-at-Arms (House, No. 1891), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. McLane.

Bill.

The Bill to authorize the city of Lowell to incur indebtedness for high school purposes (House, No. 1895), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Port of Boston,
— attitude of
United States
Shipping
Board.

The House Resolutions protesting against the attitude of the United States Shipping Board toward the port of Boston (printed as Senate, No. 620), — were adopted, in concurrence.

The resolutions were as follows:

"*Whereas*, The Port of Boston is the business centre of the woolen, worsted, cotton, boot and shoe industries of America, with unsurpassed harbor and terminal facilities, and the advantage of being nearer foreign markets than other American ports; and

"*Whereas*, The United States Shipping Board is allocating a greater number of vessels and a larger amount of tonnage to ports less favored than the Port of Boston; be it

"*Resolved*, That The General Court of Massachusetts hereby protests that the present policy of the United States Shipping Board is unwarranted and unfair in its failure to recognize the importance of the New England industries, and the opportunity offered in the use of Boston Harbor for aiding in the development of foreign commerce at this critical time and in extending the use of American manufactures in foreign countries;

"*Resolved*, That immediate steps should be taken by the United States Shipping Board to revise its policy so that a sufficient number of ships may be made available immediately for the development of the Port of Boston; and

“Resolved, That copies of these resolutions be transmitted by the Secretary of the Commonwealth to the President of the United States, to the United States Shipping Board, and to the Senators and Representatives in Congress from this Commonwealth.”

On motion of Mr. Hastings, at twenty-two minutes past four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

TUESDAY, July 8, 1919

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Bill Returned by the Governor with His Objections.

Veto. — highway between Belchertown and Amherst.

The engrossed Bill to provide for the improvement of the highway between the towns of Belchertown and Amherst (which originated in the Senate) (see Senate, No. 513), — which, on July 3, had been laid before the Governor for his approbation, and which, previously to the meeting of the Senate, had been returned by His Excellency to the Clerk together with his objections thereto in writing, — was laid before the Senate.

The message was as follows: —

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, July 8, 1919.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

A bill entitled: "An Act to Provide for the Improvement of the Highway between the Towns of Belchertown and Amherst", being Senate, No. 513, is herewith returned under the provisions of the Constitution, without approval,

It is known from personal observation that the object of this bill is desirable so that the question arises as to the necessity of legislation for securing the proposed result. The Highway Commission reports that it is ready at any time to coöperate with the county on the basis mentioned in the proposed bill, of having 75 per cent of the cost of construction paid by the Commonwealth and 25 per cent paid by the county. It cannot be learned that the County Commissioners of Hampshire are opposed to taking such action themselves.

There is the broader question of policy as to the desirability of directing the Highway Commission as to the expenditure of money provided by Item No. 336. Much of that money is needed for general repairs and reconstruction. If it be taken for other purposes by this measure and others, it will be necessary to increase the appropriations for the present year beyond what can be conveniently borne. It is therefore the better policy for the commission to make such expenditures as it can for this item without being too much hampered by directions expressed by law.

CALVIN COOLIDGE.

The message (see Senate, No. 640) was read and the Senate proceeded to reconsider the bill, in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution; and, pending the question on passing the bill, the objections of His Excellency the Governor to the

contrary notwithstanding, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill to provide for the admission to State institutions of persons affected with incurable diseases (House, No. 1897, amended), ought to pass; State institutions, — admission of certain persons.

By Mr. Churchill, for the same committee, that the Senate bills

Authorizing the employment of a State Attendance Officer (Senate, No. 575) (Mr. McLane, dissenting); and State Attendance Officer.

To provide for the certification of public school-teachers (Senate, No. 591), — severally, ought to pass; and Public school-teachers, — certification.

By Mr. McLane, for the same committee, that the House Bill authorizing the county commissioners of the county of Essex to construct a bridge over Ipswich River in the town of Topsfield (House, No. 1877), ought to pass; Essex County, — bridge over Ipswich River in Topsfield.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Churchill, for the same committee, that the House Bill relative to the establishment and maintenance of continuation schools and courses of instruction for employed minors (House, No. 1841, amended), ought to pass with an amendment striking out section 7 (inserted by amendment by the House) and inserting in place thereof the following new section: "SECTION 7. This act shall take effect on the first day of September, nineteen hundred and twenty."; and Minors, — continuation schools and courses of instruction.

By Mr. McLane, for the same committee, that the House Bill to authorize the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Bristol to employ additional clerical assistance (House, No. 1758, changed), ought to pass with an amendment in section 1, striking out, in line 4, the word "eighteen" (inserted by the committee on Public Service in place of the word "twenty-one", stricken out), and inserting in place thereof the word "twenty-one"; Bristol County, — clerical assistance for register of probate and insolvency.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading, with the amendment pending, in each instance.

By Mr. Gifford, for the same committee, that the House Bill to provide for the payment of the travelling and other expenses of the Massachusetts Highway Commission (House, No. 1700), ought not to pass; Massachusetts Highway Commission, — expenses.

Read, and the bill placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on rejecting it.

By Mr. McLane, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to create a division of markets, a dairy division, a division of plant industry and a division of reclamation and soil survey in the State Department of Agriculture, and to codify the agri- State Department of Agriculture, — divisions.

cultural laws (Senate, No. 465), ought to be referred to the next General Court;

Read, and the bill placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on referring it to the next General Court.

Poll-taxes, —
earlier
collection.

By Mr. Nichols, for the committee on Taxation, on the report of the joint special recess committee on Taxation (Senate, No. 313) (in part), a Bill to provide for earlier collection of poll-taxes (Senate, No. 637);

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Report of the Committee on Taxation on Certain Proposals for Specific Legislative Amendments of the Constitution.

Mr. Nichols, for the committee on Taxation, reported, recommending, in accordance with the provisions of Joint Rule No. 23, that the amendments proposed in the following petitions severally ought NOT to pass: —

Constitutional
amendment, —
definition of
classes of
property for
taxation
purposes.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 56) of Louis Edwin Flye for an amendment of the Constitution empowering the General Court to define classes of property for purposes of taxation and to tax such classes of property at different rates;

Constitutional
amendment, —
proportional
taxation.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 465) of Henry D. Nunn for an amendment of the Constitution striking out the requirement that assessments, rates and taxes be proportional; and

Id.

Petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1198) of Leland Powers relative to an amendment of the Constitution to strike out the requirement that assessments, rates and taxes be proportional;

Read and placed on file, in accordance with the requirements of Joint Rule No. 23.

Petition.

Boston, —
dependents of
certain police
officers.

Mr. Foley presented a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 638) of William J. Foley relative to the pensions to be paid to the dependents of certain police officers in the city of Boston; and the petition was referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. McLane, to the committee on Cities.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

North Brook-
field and New
Braintree, —
highway
improvement.

To provide for the construction by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a highway in the town of North Brookfield leading to the town of New Braintree (House, No. 1644, amended, — on the petition of the selectmen of North Brookfield and another, accompanied by bill, House, No. 133);

Registers of
deeds and
recorders of
the Land
Court, —
salaries.

To establish the salaries of registers and assistant registers of deeds and of assistant recorders of the Land Court (House, No. 1903, amended, — new draft of Senate Bill No. 595);

To provide for the further improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a highway in the towns of Hubbardston and Rutland (House, No. 1913, — new draft of the bill, House, No. 181, taken from the House files);

Hubbardston and Rutland, — highway improvement.

Authorizing the construction by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a State highway within the limits of the city of Holyoke (House, No. 1914, — new draft of Senate Bill No. 540); and

Holyoke, — State highway.

To establish the salary of Adelbert M. Mossman, as first clerk in the department of the Sergeant-at-Arms (House, No. 1915, — new draft of bill, House, No. 241, introduced on leave);

Adelbert M. Mossman, — salary.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills

To authorize the city of Salem to complete the enlargement of its water system (House, No. 1888, changed, — on the petition of Denis J. Sullivan and others);

Salem, — extension of water system.

Relative to the recovery of land of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1904, — on the report of the joint special recess committee appointed to investigate the fish industry of the Commonwealth, House, No. 1725, in part);

State land, — recovery.

Relative to the rate of interest on bonds issued by the city of Haverhill for water supply purposes (House, No. 1905, — on the petition of Isaac Poor and others, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1887); and

Haverhill, — interest on water supply bonds.

Relative to the granting of plumbers' licenses to certain soldiers and sailors (House, No. 1906, — substituted for the House Report of the committee on Public Service, "reference to the next General Court", on the petition of Edward F. Harrington, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1838); and

Soldiers and sailors, — plumbers' licenses.

A Resolve in favor of the widow of J. Henry Colburn (House, No. 1908, — on the petition of James H. Wilkins, accompanied by resolve, House, No. 1776);

Widow of J. Henry Colburn.

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Notice was received from the House that the recommitted Bill to establish a budget system for the expenditure of money by the county of Suffolk (House, No. 1868), had been referred, by the House, to the next General Court.

Suffolk County, — budget system.

A Report of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 621) of George E. Curran relative to the publication of notices of applications for liquor licenses (Mr. Reed, of the Senate, dissenting), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Applications for liquor licenses, — notices.

The following House order was adopted, in concurrence: —

Ordered, That a joint special committee, to consist of two members of the Senate and five members of the House of Representatives, be appointed to sit during the recess of the General Court to investigate conditions prevailing at the various State institutions, with special reference to the care of patients therein

Joint special committee, — conditions at State institutions.

and the relations existing between the said patients and the officers and employees of the institutions. The members of the committee shall serve without compensation; and the committee may, if they deem it necessary, hold public hearings, administer oaths and require the attendance of witnesses and the production of books and documents; and may employ a stenographer and incur such expenses for travel or otherwise as may be deemed necessary by the Governor and Council. They shall report, with such recommendations as may be deemed expedient, to the next General Court, on the first Wednesday in January.

Engrossed Bill Amended by the House.

State House,
— additional
watchmen.

The engrossed Bill to authorize the Sergeant-at-Arms to employ additional watchmen at the State House (which originated in the Senate) (see Senate, No. 582, changed and amended), — came up, amended by inserting after section 2 the following new section: "SECTION 3. The term of office of the assistant watchmen employed under the provisions of chapter eighty-four of the General Acts of nineteen hundred and eighteen shall terminate at the same time as the term of office of those appointed under the provisions of this act."

Senate Rules Nos. 36 and 49 were suspended, on motions of Mr. McLane, and the amendment was considered forthwith.

The Senate non-concurred in the adoption thereof; and the bill was sent down endorsed accordingly.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To revive the corporation known as the Inman Square Amusement Company;

Relative to the granting of degrees by colleges and other institutions of learning.

To provide for the improvement of the highway between the towns of Westborough and Grafton;

To authorize the city of Boston to acquire certain land for street improvements; and

Relative to registration fees for motor trucks, trailers and commercial motor-vehicles.

Resolve
passed, etc.

An engrossed Resolve to provide for an investigation relative to the construction of a State highway in the town of Williamstown (which originated in the Senate), — was passed and, with the above-named bills, was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Message from
Governor, —
compensation
for certain

The Senate Report of the joint committee on Ways and Means, no legislation necessary, on the message from His Excellency the Governor recommending that certain public officials be compen-

sated for damage to their residences caused by the explosion of bombs (House, No. 1820), — was considered, the question being on accepting it. losses by bomb explosions.

On motion of Mr. Curran, the report was amended by substituting a "Bill to reimburse certain public officials because of injuries sustained as a result of the performance of public duty" (Senate, No. 639); and the bill was read and, under the rule, was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

The engrossed Bill relative to the salaries of the members, secretary and medical adviser of the Industrial Accident Board (see House, No. 1849, amended), — was considered; and the Senate adopted the following amendment recommended by His Excellency the Governor: — Adding the following new section: "SECTION 3. From and after the expiration of the term of the first retiring member of said board, the board shall consist of six members. In case of a resignation or other vacancy in the meantime such vacancy shall not be filled." Industrial Accident Board, — salaries.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck.

The Senate Bill to authorize the use of armories by veterans of the war with Germany (printed as House, No. 1872), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed. Armories, — used by veterans of war with Germany.

Sent down for concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

The House Bill relative to the improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of Prospect Street in the city of Leominster (House, No. 1293, amended), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator. Leominster, — improvement of Prospect Street.

The House Bill to provide for the construction and improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a highway in the towns of Holland and Brimfield (House, No. 1642, amended), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator. Holland and Brimfield, — highway.

The House Bill to provide for the laying out by the county of Worcester and the construction by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a highway around Leicester Hill in the town of Leicester (House, No. 1651), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator. Leicester, — highway around Leicester Hill.

Holden and
Wachusett
Reservation,
— highway
improvement.

The House Bill to provide for the improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of the highway between the town of Holden and the Wachusett Mountain State Reservation (House, No. 1661, amended), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

General laws,
— corrections.

The House Bill to make certain corrections in the statutes to conform to the Constitution as amended (House, No. 1879, amended), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Aircraft.

The Bill to regulate the use of aircraft (House, No. 1896, changed), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Widow of
Charles F.
Gray.

The House Resolve in favor of the widow of Charles F. Gray (House, No. 1898), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the resolve was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on further motion of the same Senator.

Alcohol.

The Senate Bill regulating the sale of alcohol (Senate, No. 626, amended), — was considered; and the Senate concurred in the adoption of the House amendment in section 1, — striking out, in line 7, the word "alcohol", and inserting in place thereof the words "either of the said alcohols". Senate Rule No. 8 was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck.

Trust
companies, —
interest on
deposits.

The House Bill relative to the payment of dividends or interest on deposits in the savings departments of trust companies (House, No. 1892), — was read a third time.

Mr. Smith moved that the bill be amended by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

"SECTION 1. All laws now or hereafter in force governing savings banks and institutions for savings in relation to deposits and the payment of interest or dividends thereon and the investment thereof shall apply to the savings departments of trust companies.

"SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage."

Pending this amendment and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Beck.

On motion of Mr. McIntosh, at thirteen minutes before three o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY, July 9, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Curran, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill to reimburse certain public officials because of injuries sustained as a result of the performance of public duty (Senate, No. 639), ought to pass; Public officials,
— reimbursement for losses
from bomb explosions.

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Metropolitan Affairs, on the petition of Charles Logue and others (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1308), a Bill relative to the housing of the people in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 643) (Mr. Mahoney, of the Senate, and Messrs. Clark, Feinberg, Brennan and Costello, of the House, dissenting); Boston, —
housing of
the people.

By Mr. Perrin, for the committee on Street Railways, on the message from His Excellency the Governor relative to the temporary public operation of street railway companies (Senate, No. 630) (in part), a Bill relative to the power of the Public Service Commission to suspend the taking effect of proposed changes in rates charged by common carriers (Senate, No. 641); and Common
carriers, —
changes in
rates.

By Mr. Nichols, for the committee on Taxation, on the report of the joint special recess committee on Taxation (Senate, No. 313) (in part), a Bill relative to the assessment and collection of taxes in districts (Senate, No. 644); Taxes, —
assessment and
collection in
districts.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Perrin, for the committee on Street Railways, on the message from His Excellency the Governor relative to the temporary public operation of street railway companies (Senate, No. 630) (in part), a Bill relative to the taxation of street railway companies (Senate, No. 642); Street Railway
companies, —
taxation.

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden moved that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had concurred in the adoption of the House amendment of the Senate Bill regulating the sale of alcohol (Senate, No. 626, amended); and the further consideration of this motion was postponed until the next session, on motion of the same Senator. Alcohol.

Taken from the Table.

State
employees, —
salaries.

On motion of Mr. Gifford, the Senate Bill to regulate increases in the salaries of officers and employees in the service of the Commonwealth and to repeal inconsistent provisions of existing laws relative to the classification and grading of stenographers and clerks (Senate, No. 510), — was taken from the table and considered; and, pending the amendments previously moved by Mr. Smith, and the motion of Mr. Reed that the bill be referred to the next General Court, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of Mr. Gifford.

Feeble-
minded, —
free clinics.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain, the House Bill to establish free clinics for the feeble-minded and a registry of the feeble-minded (House, No. 1625), — was taken from the table and considered; and, pending the amendment previously moved by Mr. Prescott, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Chamberlain.

Special com-
mission on
sheep industry,
— report.

On motion of Mr. Hastings, the House Report of the committee on Agriculture, no further legislation necessary, on the report of the special commission on the sheep industry, agriculture and related matters (Senate, No. 293), — was taken from the table and considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

Mr. Hastings moved that the report be amended, in part, by substituting for so much thereof as related to the subject, a "Bill to provide relief from depredations caused by dogs in the nighttime in the counties of Berkshire, Dukes County, Franklin, Hampden, Hampshire and Worcester" (Senate, No. 645).

Mr. Colburn moved that the report be amended, in part, by substituting for so much thereof as related to the subject, a "Bill to provide for the more effective enforcement of the laws relating to dogs" (Senate, No. 646).

Pending these amendments and pending the main question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Reed.

Order.

Mr. Cavanagh offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit:—

Joint special
committee, —
consolidation
and arrange-
ment of the
general laws.

Ordered, That a Joint Special Committee be appointed, to consist of the committee on the Judiciary of the Senate, the committee on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives, fourteen members of the Senate and thirty members of the House of Representatives, to consider and report on all matters relating to the consolidation and arrangement of the general laws of the Commonwealth; and for that purpose the said committee may hold its sessions in the Senate Chamber or other

convenient room in the State House, may have power to employ a competent person or persons to make an index of the statutes, and to employ such clerical assistance, and to require the services of such officers of the General Court, and to do such other acts, and to incur such expenses therefor, as they shall deem necessary for the convenient dispatch of their business and proceedings. The said committee shall report in print to the next General Court on or before the second Saturday of the session. The members of the said committee shall each receive one thousand dollars as compensation, and mileage as at present allowed for a legislative session. The Treasurer and Receiver-General is authorized to pay the compensation of the members of the committee, from time to time, as directed by the chairman on the part of the Senate and the chairman on the part of the House of Representatives; and be it further

Ordered, That the commissioners appointed to consolidate and arrange the general laws of the Commonwealth be requested to attend the session of the said committee, and of subcommittees thereof, when invited so to do by the committee, and to give such explanations of their consolidation and arrangement of the statutes as will aid the committee in the examination and revision of their report.

Orders adopted.

Mr. Kearney offered the following order, to wit: —

Ordered, That the Senate request the opinion of the Attorney-General on the following question of law: —

Would it be contrary to the laws of the United States or of this Commonwealth for a combination of fishermen to enter into an agreement with dealers purchasing their product fixing minimum prices for such product as a method of fixing the wages of such fishermen?

Attorney-General, —
opinion relative
to method of
fixing wages
of fishermen.

On motion of the same Senator, Senate Rule No. 13A was suspended, and the order was considered forthwith and was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Beck, —

Ordered, That Senate Rule No. 8 be suspended for the remainder of the session.

Senate Rule
No. 8.

Pay-Roll.

On motion of Mr. Gifford, —

Ordered, That the Clerk be instructed to make up the pay-roll for additional compensation for travel of the members of the Senate, agreeably to the provisions of chapter two hundred and seventy-three of the General Acts of 1919, the travel to be computed according to the table of distances established by an order of the Senate adopted June 14, 1892, with the changes provided for in the order adopted by the Senate on January 3 of the current year.

Senate, —
pay-roll for
travel.

In accordance with the provisions of the foregoing order, the Clerk reported the pay-roll for compensation for travel; and it was thereupon,

Senate, —
pay-roll for
travel.

On motion of Mr. Gifford, —

Ordered, That there be allowed and paid from the treasury of the Commonwealth to the several Senators whose names are borne upon the accompanying roll, the sums set against their respective names, amounting in the aggregate to seven hundred and five dollars (\$705.00) for additional compensation for travel for the present session of the General Court.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Incomes, —
taxation.

A Bill to impose an additional tax upon incomes in excess of two thousand dollars from professions, employments, trade or business (House, No. 1910, amended, — on the petitions of Charles L. Gifford, accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 53; and of Andrew J. Peters, accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 132), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills

General laws,
— corrections.

To make certain substantive corrections in existing laws (House, No. 1880, amended, — on the report of the commission to consolidate and arrange the general laws, House, No. 1270, in part; and on the supplementary special report of the same commission, House, No. 1720); and

State and
county taxes.

To establish the basis of apportionment of State and county taxes (House, No. 1917, — on the triennial report of the Tax Commissioner, House, No. 1517, relative thereto); and

State House,
— memorial
tablet for war
animals.

A Resolve authorizing the erection of a memorial tablet in the State House in memory of the animals who served in the war with Germany (House, No. 1823, — on the petition of Francis H. Rowley);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Soldiers and
sailors, —
registration as
chiroprudists.

A Bill extending the time for applications for registration as chiroprudists to persons absent from the Commonwealth by reason of military or naval service (House, No. 1907, on the petition of George E. Wright), — was read. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. McLane, and the bill was read a second time and a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

State House,
— additional
watchmen;
committee of
conference.

The engrossed Bill to authorize the Sergeant-at-Arms to employ additional watchmen at the State House (which originated in the Senate) (see Senate, No. 582, changed and amended), — came up, with the endorsement that the House had insisted on its amendment, — inserting after section 2 the following new section: "SECTION 3. The term of office of the assistant watchmen employed under the provisions of chapter eighty-four of the General Acts of nineteen hundred and eighteen shall terminate at the same time as the term of office of those appointed under the provisions of this act." (in which amendment the Senate previously had non-concurred), — and had asked for a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches; and that Messrs. Arnold of Boston, Bitzer of Arlington and

Donovan of Boston, had been appointed the committee on its part.

On motions of Mr. McLane, the Senate insisted on its non-concurrence and concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference. Messrs. McLane, Beck and Curran were joined; and the bill was sent down endorsed accordingly.

A Report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, no further legislation necessary, on the report of the special commission which was directed to consider whether the present fees for the registration of motor-vehicles and for licensing the operators thereof are equitable and sufficient, whether changes should be made in the method of distributing or applying said fees, and whether there is need of further legislation to regulate the sale of second-hand motor-vehicles or to prevent the larceny of motor-vehicles (House, No. 1450), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Motor-vehicles,
— report of
special
commission.

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1921) of Charles M. Blodgett, mayor of the city of Malden, and others that cities and towns be authorized to incur indebtedness in connection with the development of the Port of Boston; and, accordingly, under the said rule the petition was referred to the next General Court.

Port of Boston,
— municipal
aid in
development.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to a Bill relative to the powers and duties of the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands (House, No. 1916, introduced on leave); and the bill was returned to the House for its action.

Commission
on Waterways
and Public
Lands, —
powers and
duties.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1912) of George M. Worrall that the time be extended within which assessments for street railway purposes may be made by the city of Attleboro; and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Municipal Finance.

Attleboro, —
betterment
assessments
for street
railway
purposes.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

Relative to maintaining or increasing unreasonably the price of any necessary of life;

To promote Americanization through the education of adult persons unable to use the English language;

Relative to hunting and fishing licenses; and

To provide that the assessors' valuation shall be evidence of the value of real estate in certain proceedings relating to the registration of land.

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

An engrossed Resolve authorizing the payment of a sum of money to the Cavanaugh Brothers Horse Company (which originated in the House), — was passed and, with the above-named bills, was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Resolve
passed, etc.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Trust
companies, —
interest on
deposits.

The House Bill relative to the payment of dividends or interest on deposits in the savings departments of trust companies (House, No. 1892), — was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The following pending amendment, previously moved by Mr. Smith, was considered, to wit: —

Striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

"SECTION 1. All laws now or hereafter in force governing savings banks and institutions for savings in relation to deposits and the payment of interest or dividends thereon and the investment thereof shall apply to the savings departments of trust companies.

"SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage."

Mr. Smith moved that the amendment be amended in section 1, by inserting before the word "deposits", the words "the time of placing"; and by inserting after the word "deposits", the words "on interest".

Pending these several amendments and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Curtin, by a vote of 14 to 0.

Veto, — high-
way between
Belchertown
and Amherst.

The engrossed Bill to provide for the improvement of the highway between the towns of Belchertown and Amherst (see Senate, No. 513), — was further reconsidered; and, pending the question on passing the bill, the objections of His Excellency the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden.

The bills

Bills.

Authorizing the employment of a State Attendance Officer (Senate, No. 575);

To provide for the certification of public school-teachers (Senate, No. 591);

To provide for earlier collection of poll-taxes (Senate, No. 637); and

Relative to the granting of plumbers' licenses to certain soldiers and sailors (House, No. 1906);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bristol
County, —
clerical assist-
ance for register
of probate and
insolvency.

The House Bill to authorize the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Bristol to employ additional clerical assistance (House, No. 1758, changed), — was read a second time and was amended in section 1, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, by striking out, in line 4, the word "eighteen" (inserted by the committee on Public

Service in place of the word "twenty-one", stricken out), and inserting in place thereof the word "twenty-one." The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

The House Bill relative to the establishment and maintenance of continuation schools and courses of instruction for employed minors (House, No. 1841, amended), — was read a second time.

Minors, —
continuation
schools and
courses of
instruction.

By a vote of 6 to 13, the Senate rejected the pending amendment, previously recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, — striking out section 7 (inserted by amendment by the House) and inserting in place thereof the following new section: "SECTION 7. This act shall take effect on the first day of September, nineteen hundred and twenty."

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

The House Bill authorizing the county commissioners of the county of Essex to construct a bridge over Ipswich River in the town of Topsfield (House, No. 1877), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Essex County,
— bridge over
Ipswich River
in Topsfield.

The House Bill to authorize the city of Salem to complete the enlargement of its water system (House, No. 1888, changed), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Salem, —
extension of
water system.

The House Bill to provide for the admission to State institutions of persons affected with incurable diseases (House, No. 1897, amended), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read as follows: "An Act to provide for the admission to certain State institutions of persons affected with incurable diseases."

State
institutions, —
admission of
certain persons.

The House Bill relative to the recovery of land of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1904), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read as follows: "An Act relative to the recovery of land by the Commonwealth for breach of condition."

State land, —
recovery.

The House Bill relative to the rate of interest on bonds issued by the city of Haverhill for water supply purposes (House, No. 1905), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Haverhill, —
interest on
water supply
bonds.

The House Resolve in favor of the widow of J. Henry Colburn (House, No. 1908), — was read a second time and ordered to a

Widow of
J. Henry
Colburn.

third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the resolve was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

State Department of Agriculture, — divisions.

The Senate Bill to create a division of markets, a dairy division, a division of plant industry and a division of reclamation and soil survey in the State Department of Agriculture, and to codify the agricultural laws (Senate, No. 465), — was considered; and, pending the question on referring the bill to the next General Court, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Churchill.

Massachusetts Highway Commission, — expenses.

The House Bill to provide for the payment of the travelling and other expenses of the Massachusetts Highway Commission (House, No. 1700), — was rejected, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means.

The House bills

House bills.

To authorize the city of Lowell to incur indebtedness for high school purposes (House, No. 1895); and

To regulate the use of aircraft (House, No. 1896, changed);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

House report.

The House Report of the committee on Legal Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 621) of George E. Curran relative to the publication of notices of applications for liquor licenses, — was accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Churchill, at eight minutes before five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at two o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, July 10, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Bills Recalled from the Governor.

On motion of Mr. Prescott, it was voted that a message be sent to His Excellency the Governor requesting the return to the Senate of the engrossed Bill to provide for the improvement of the highway in the town of Middlefield leading from Chester to Worthington (which originated in the Senate) (see Senate, No. 125, amended).

Middlefield, —
highway be-
tween Chester
and Worthing-
ton.

Mr. Prescott was appointed the messenger. Subsequently, the bill was returned and was laid before the Senate. There being no objection, on motion of the same Senator, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at a previous session, it had passed the bill to be enacted.

Pending the recurring question on passing the bill to be enacted, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of the same Senator.

On motion of Mr. Prescott, it was voted that a message be sent to His Excellency the Governor requesting the return to the Senate of the engrossed Bill to provide for the improvement of the highway between the towns of Westborough and Grafton (which originated in the Senate) (see Senate, No. 524).

Westborough
and Grafton, —
highway.

Mr. Prescott was appointed the messenger. Subsequently, the bill was returned and was laid before the Senate. There being no objection, on motion of the same Senator, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at a previous session, it had passed the bill to be enacted.

Pending the recurring question on passing the bill to be enacted, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Tuesday, on motion of the same Senator.

Reports of a Committee.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill to impose an additional tax upon incomes in excess of two thousand dollars from professions, employments, trade or business (House, No. 1910, amended), ought to pass;

Incomes, —
taxation.

By Mr. Churchill, for the same committee, that the House Bill to establish the Purgatory Chasm State Reservation in the county of Worcester (House, No. 1890), ought to pass; and

Purgatory
Chasm State
Reservation.

By Mr. Smith, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill relative to the taxation of street railway companies (Senate, No. 642), ought to pass;

Street railway
companies, —
taxation.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Registers of
deeds and
assistant
recorders of the
Land Court,
— salaries.

By Mr. Gifford, for the same committee, that the House Bill to establish the salaries of registers and assistant registers of deeds and assistant recorders of the Land Court (House, No. 1903, amended), ought to pass with amendments in section 1, striking out, in line 9 and in lines 10 and 11, respectively, the words "and fifty"; and striking out section 5 (inserted by amendment by the House);

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading, with the amendments pending.

Reconsideration.

Port of Boston,
— municipal
aid in
development.

On motion of Mr. McLane, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to the House petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1921) of Charles M. Blodgett, mayor of the city of Malden, and others that cities and towns be authorized to incur indebtedness in connection with the development of the Port of Boston.

On the recurring question, the rule was suspended, in concurrence, and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Municipal Finance.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Southeastern
district, —
deputy district
attorney.

To authorize the district attorney for the southeastern district to appoint a deputy district attorney (House, No. 1899, amended, — new draft of Senate Bill No. 192, changed);

Milford and
Hopkinton, —
highway
improvement.

To provide for the improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of the highway leading from Milford to Southborough through Hopkinton (House, No. 1922, amended, — new draft of bill, House, No. 145, taken from the House files); and

Dracut and
Methuen, —
highway.

To provide further for the improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a State highway in the town of Dracut and city of Methuen (House, No. 1923, — new draft of Senate Bill No. 126, amended); and

Advertising
adjoining pub-
lic highways, —
regulation.

A Resolve providing for an investigation by a special commission of the question of the regulation of bill-boards and other advertising devices adjoining public highways (House, No. 1920, amended, — on the petition of Herbert J. Kellaway and another, accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 227; the petition of Edwin O. Childs, accompanied by bill, House, No. 629; the petition of Frank W. Thayer, accompanied by bill, House, No. 835; the petition of Alexander Whiteside, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1062; the petition of D. F. Reardon, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1063; and the opinion of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court relative thereto, Senate, No. 623);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Injured
employees, —
additional
guarantees of
compensation.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate Bill to provide additional methods of guaranteeing compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Act (Senate, No. 75); had been referred, by the House, to the next General Court.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

To authorize the city of Boston to pay an annuity to the widow of Adolf Buttermann;

*Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.*

Relative to the salaries of the members, secretary and medical adviser of the Industrial Accident Board;

To authorize the city of Lynn to pension Orlando Mayo;

To make certain corrections in the statutes to conform to the Constitution as amended;

To establish the salary of Ellen Mudge Burrill as cashier and executive secretary to the Sergeant-at-Arms;

To provide for the construction and improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a highway in the towns of Holland and Brimfield;

Relative to the improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of Prospect Street in the city of Leominster;

To provide for the laying out by the county of Worcester and the construction by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a highway around Leicester Hill in the town of Leicester; and

To provide for the improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of the highway between the town of Holden and the Wachusett Mountain State Reservation.

The following engrossed resolves (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed and, with the above-named bills, were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

To provide for an investigation with a view to reducing the danger of fire at the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts; and

*Resolves
passed, etc.*

In favor of the widow of Charles F. Gray.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Report of the committee on Agriculture, no further legislation necessary, on the report of the special commission on the sheep industry, agriculture and related matters (Senate, No. 293), — was considered, the main question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

*Special commission on
sheep industry,
— report.*

Mr. Hastings moved that the further consideration of the report be postponed until the other matters in the Orders of the Day had been disposed of; and this motion was negatived.

By a vote of 7 to 13, the Senate rejected the pending amendment previously moved by Mr. Hastings, — that the report be amended, in part, by substituting for so much thereof as relates to the subject a "Bill to provide relief from depredations caused by dogs in the night-time in the counties of Berkshire, Dukes County, Franklin, Hampden, Hampshire and Worcester" (Senate, No. 645).

The question on adopting the amendment previously moved by Mr. Colburn, — that the report be amended, in part, by substituting for so much thereof as relates to the subject a "Bill to provide for the more effective enforcement of the laws relating to dogs" (Senate, No. 646), — was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Eames, Edward B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Knox, Joseph O.
McIntosh, David S.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E. — 16.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.

Messrs. Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 21.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. George D. Chamberlain,

Mr. John J. Kearney. — 2.

So the amendment was rejected.

The report was then accepted, in concurrence.

Feeble-
minded, —
free clinics.

The House Bill to establish free clinics for the feeble-minded and a registry of the feeble-minded (House, No. 1625), — was considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading.

By a vote of 14 to 1, the Senate adopted the pending amendment, previously moved by Mr. Prescott, — striking out section 3.

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

Trust
companies, —
interest on
deposits.

The House Bill relative to the payment of dividends or interest on deposits in the savings departments of trust companies (House, No. 1892), — was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence.

There being no objection, Mr. Smith withdrew the pending amendments previously moved by him.

Mr. Cavanagh moved that the bill be amended by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

"SECTION 1. Chapter one hundred and sixteen of the General Acts of nineteen hundred and nineteen is hereby amended by striking out section two and substituting the following: —

Section 2. Dividends or interest on deposits in the savings departments of trust companies, savings banks and institutions for savings may be declared and paid for periods of not less than one month or more than six months, as determined by their by-laws, from income which has been earned and collected during the next preceding interest period.

"SECTION 2. An officer, agent, clerk or servant of a trust company, savings bank or institution for savings who pays or authorizes the payment of interest unless the same has been earned and collected as provided in the preceding section shall be punished by a fine of not exceeding one thousand dollars or by imprisonment for not exceeding six months."

This amendment was adopted, by a vote of 17 to 5.

Under the rule, the bill was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment.

The engrossed Bill to provide for the improvement of the highway between the towns of Belchertown and Amherst (see Senate, No. 513), — was further reconsidered; and, pending the question on passing the bill, the objections of His Excellency the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Eames.

Veto, — highway between Belchertown and Amherst.

The Senate Bill to create a division of markets, a dairy division, a division of plant industry and a division of reclamation and soil survey in the State Department of Agriculture, and to codify the agricultural laws (Senate, No. 465), — was considered, the question being on referring the bill to the next General Court, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means.

State Department of Agriculture, — divisions.

The Senate refused to refer the bill to the next General Court; and, under the rule, it was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

The bills

To reimburse certain public officials because of injuries sustained as a result of the performance of public duty (Senate, No. 639);

Relative to the assessment and collection of taxes in districts (Senate, No. 644); and

To make certain substantive corrections in existing laws (House, No. 1880, amended);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relative to the power of the Public Service Commission to suspend the taking effect of proposed changes in rates charged by common carriers (Senate, No. 641), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, by a vote of 11 to 0.

Common carriers, — changes in rates.

Boston, —
housing of
the people.

The Bill relative to the housing of the people in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 643), — was read a second time.

Mr. McLane moved that the bill be referred to the next General Court.

Mr. Beck moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until the following Monday.

The question being put on the latter motion (that motion having precedence, under the rule), the same prevailed; and, accordingly, the further consideration of the bill was postponed until the following Monday, with the motion of Mr. McLane pending.

State and
county taxes.

The Bill to establish the basis of apportionment of State and county taxes (House, No. 1917), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Nichols, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday.

State House,
— memorial
tablet for war
animals.

The Resolve authorizing the erection of a memorial tablet in the State House in memory of the animals who served in the war with Germany (House, No. 1823), — was read a second time; and it was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 14 to 3.

Alcohol.

The Senate reconsidered the vote by which it had concurred in the adoption of the following House amendment of the "Bill regulating the sale of alcohol" (Senate, No. 626): In section 1, striking out, in line 7, the word "alcohol", and inserting in place thereof the words "either of the said alcohols".

On motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, the amendment was amended by striking out the word "either", and inserting in place thereof the word "any".

The amendment, as amended, was then adopted, in concurrence, with the following further amendments of the bill, moved by the same Senator: In section 1, inserting after the word "corporation", in line 1, the words "other than a registered druggist"; and also striking out section 3 and inserting in place thereof the following new section: "SECTION 3. Every container of methyl alcohol or wood alcohol, so called, or denatured alcohol, shall be labelled in accordance with the provisions of section one of chapter five hundred and forty-one of the Acts of nineteen hundred and ten. The label shall also contain the number of the license as issued to the vendor by the board of health."

Sent down for concurrence in the several amendments.

Senate bill.

The Senate Bill to provide for the appointment of a State officer for the purpose of enforcing the laws relating to school attendance (Senate, No. 575) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed, by a vote of 15 to 0.

Sent down for concurrence.

Public school-
teachers, —
certification.

The Senate Bill to provide for the certification of public school-teachers (Senate, No. 591), — was read a third time. On motion of Mr. Tarbell, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session.

The Senate Bill to provide for earlier collection of poll-taxes Senate bill.
(Senate, No. 637), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill to authorize the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Bristol to employ additional clerical assistance (House, No. 1758, changed), — was read a third time; and, by a vote of 14 to 0, it was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment previously adopted by the Senate, which was sent down for concurrence. Bristol County, — clerical assistance for register of probate and insolvency.

The House bills

Relative to the establishment and maintenance of continuation schools and courses of instruction for employed minors (House, No. 1841, amended); and House bills.

Relative to the granting of plumbers' licenses to certain soldiers and sailors (House, No. 1906);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, no further legislation necessary, on the report of the special commission which was directed to consider whether the present fees for the registration of motor-vehicles and for licensing the operators thereof are equitable and sufficient, whether changes should be made in the method of distributing or applying said fees, and whether there is need of further legislation to regulate the sale of second hand motor-vehicles or to prevent the larceny of motor-vehicles (House, No. 1450) — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the following Monday, on motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden. Motor-vehicles, — report of special commission.

On motion of Mr. McLane, at twenty-nine minutes past five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

FRIDAY, July 11, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

State
departments, —
organisation.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill to organize in departments the executive and administrative functions of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1900), ought to pass with the following amendments:

In section 53, by striking out all after the word "appoint", in line 7, to and including the word "abolish", in line 28, and inserting in place thereof the following: — "the deputy and the second deputy commissioner which shall be in lieu of the deputies now provided for by section two of part III of chapter four hundred and ninety of the Acts of nineteen hundred and nine and acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto, who shall perform such duties as may be assigned to them by the commissioner and in his absence or disability shall perform all duties required by law of said commissioner. The deputy commissioner shall receive such annual salary not exceeding five thousand dollars and the second deputy such annual salary not exceeding four thousand dollars as may be fixed by the commissioner with the approval of the Governor and Council. The commissioner shall organize the department into such divisions as may be required including an income tax division, a division of corporations, a division of inheritance taxes, a division of local taxation and a division of accounts. He shall appoint, subject to the approval of the Governor and Council, a director to take charge of each division and may remove any director with like approval. The director in charge of the income tax division shall be in lieu of the income tax deputy now provided for by section seventeen of chapter two hundred and sixty-nine of the Acts of nineteen hundred and sixteen. The directors in charge of the divisions of inheritance taxes and local taxation shall be in lieu of two of the assistants provided for by section two of part III of chapter four hundred and ninety of the Acts of nineteen hundred and nine and acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto.";

In section 55, by inserting after the word "may", in line 5, the words "subject to the provisions of law relative to appointments and removals by the Tax Commissioner and Commissioner of Corporations, and";

In section 66, by striking out, in line 10, the word "shall", and inserting in place thereof the word "may"; and by striking out, in the same line, the word "may" before the word "remove";

In section 70, by inserting after the word "labor", in line 6, the words "and one of whom shall be a representative of employers of labor";

In section 72, by inserting after the word "commissioners", in line 1, the words "shall constitute a board, to be known as the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration"; and by inserting after the word "documents", in line 15, the following sentences: "In any controversy referred to the board on a joint application under any arbitration agreement they shall employ special experts at the request of either party. One such expert shall be selected from a list furnished by each party to the controversy. The expense of such experts shall be borne by the State." ;

In section 119, by striking out, in lines 13 and 14, the words "and in the decision"; by striking out, in line 16, the word "three", and inserting in place thereof the word "two"; and by inserting after the word "participate", in the same line, the words "and in the decision of such matters at least three commissioners shall participate"; and

In section 124, by inserting after the word "jurisdiction", in line 7, the words "and at least one shall be a resident of the city of Boston";

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading, with the amendments pending.

Mr. McLane, for the same committee, reported that the House Bill to authorize the district attorney for the southeastern district to appoint a deputy district attorney (House, No. 1899), ought to pass;

Southeastern district, — deputy district attorney.

The rules were suspended, on motion of the same Senator, and the bill was read a second time and a third time.

Mr. Beck moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until the next session; and this motion was negatived.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

By Mr. Churchill, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House bills

To provide for the construction by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a highway in the town of North Brookfield leading to the town of New Braintree (House, No. 1644, amended);

North Brookfield and New Braintree, — highway.

To provide for the further improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a highway in the towns of Hubbardston and Rutland (House, No. 1913);

Hubbardston and Rutland, — highway.

Authorizing the construction by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a State highway within the limits of the city of Holyoke (House, No. 1914);

Holyoke, — State highway.

To establish the salary of Adelbert M. Mossman as first clerk in the department of the Sergeant-at-Arms (House, No. 1915);

Sergeant-at-Arms, — salary of first clerk.

To provide for the improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of the highway leading from Milford to Southborough through Hopkinton (House, No. 1922, amended); and

Milford and Hopkinton, — highway improvement.

To provide further for the improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a State highway in the town of Dracut

Dracut and Methuen, — highway.

and city of Methuen (House, No. 1923), — severally, ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Scallops.

By Mr. McLane, for the same committee, on the Senate Bill to provide for the appointment of an inspector of fish and establishing regulations relative to dealing in fish (Senate, No. 627) (in part), a Bill relative to the taking and sale of certain seed and adult scallops under the authority of the Fish and Game Commission (Senate, No. 649);

Fresh fish, — grading; appointment of inspectors.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, on the Senate Bill to provide for the appointment of an inspector of fish and establishing regulations relative to dealing in fish (Senate, No. 627) (in part), a Bill to provide for the grading of fresh fish and the appointment of inspectors and to establish regulations for the sale and cold storage of fresh fish (Senate, No. 650); and

County taxes, — apportion- ment.

By Mr. Nichols, for the committee on Taxation, on the report of the joint special recess committee on Taxation (Senate, No. 313) (in part), a Bill relative to the apportionment of county taxes (Senate, No. 648);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Order Adopted.

Mr. Beck offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —

Joint com- mittees, — reports.

Ordered, That the time within which the following joint committees are required, under the provisions of the 10th joint rule, to make final report upon all matters referred to them previously to the second Wednesday in March, be extended to Wednesday, July 16, to wit: —

Judiciary, Taxation and Ways and Means.

Subsequently, Mr. McLane, for the joint committee on Rules, reported that the order ought to be adopted; and it was considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Beck, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Commission on Waterways and Public Lands, — powers and duties. Corporations, — taxation.

Relative to the powers and duties of the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands (House, No. 1916, introduced on leave);

Relative to the taxation of domestic business corporations (House, No. 1918, — on the petitions of Clifford H. Walker, accompanied by bills, House, Nos. 1014 and 1015; and in part on the report of the joint special recess committee on Taxation, Senate, No. 313); and

Norton, — highway improvement.

To provide for the improvement and construction by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a certain highway in the

town of Norton (House, No. 1925, — new draft of Senate Bill No. 597);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill to prohibit the unauthorized possession of bombs and explosives (House, No. 1926, — on the petition of the chiefs of police of the cities of Cambridge and Somerville, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1858), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Bombs and explosives, — unauthorized possession.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to a Resolve providing additional compensation for the pages of the Senate and House of Representatives (House, No. 1929, introduced on leave); and the resolve was returned to the House for its action.

General Court, — additional compensation for pages.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the House) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

To authorize the city of Lowell to incur indebtedness for high school purposes;

Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

To authorize the city of Salem to complete the enlargement of its water system;

Relative to the rate of interest on bonds issued by the city of Haverhill for water supply purposes;

To regulate the use of aircraft;

Relative to the recovery of land by the Commonwealth for breach of condition;

Relative to the use of tanks or containers for the storage of fluids other than water;

To provide for the admission to certain State institutions of persons affected with incurable diseases; and

Authorizing the county commissioners of the county of Essex to construct a bridge over Ipswich River in the town of Topsfield.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of the widow of J. Henry Colburn (which originated in the House), — was passed and, with the above-named bills, was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Resolve passed, etc.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Bill relative to the payment of dividends or interest on deposits in the savings departments of trust companies (House, No. 1892), — was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment previously adopted by the Senate.

Trust companies, — interest on deposits.

On motion of Mr. Beck, the bill was recommitted to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Subsequently, Mr. Finkel, for the said committee, reported recommending that the bill be amended as follows:

By striking out, in the title, the words "in the savings departments of trust companies"; and by inserting before the word "deposits" the word "savings"; by inserting after the word "amend", in the emergency preamble, the words "the law as established by"; by inserting before the word "interest", in section 2 (substituted by amendment) the words "any dividend or"; and by adding the following new section: "SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage."

These amendments were adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

Veto. — highway between Belchertown and Amherst.

The engrossed Bill to provide for the improvement of the highway between the towns of Belchertown and Amherst (see Senate, No. 513), — was further reconsidered; and the question on passing the bill, the objections of His Excellency the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS. — 0.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Cavanagh, James F.
Churchill, George B.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Jackson, George H.

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 28.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Callahan, Edward
Chamberlain, George D.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.

Messrs. Gifford, Charles L.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Knox, Joseph O.
McIntosh, David S.
Sullivan, Peter F. — 11.

So the bill failed to pass, two-thirds of the Senate not having agreed to pass the same.

Common carriers, — changes in rates.

The Senate Bill relative to the power of the Public Service Commission to suspend the taking effect of proposed changes in rates charged by common carriers (Senate, No. 641), — was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Callahan moved that the bill be referred to the next General Court; and this motion was negatived, by a vote of 8 to 18.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill to provide for the certification of public school-teachers (Senate, No. 591), — was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed. Public school-teachers, — certification.

Mr. Tarbell moved that the bill be laid on the table; and this motion was negatived.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill to create a division of markets, a dairy division, a division of plant industry and a division of reclamation and soil survey in the State Department of Agriculture, and to codify the agricultural laws (Senate, No. 465), — was read a second time and was amended, on motion of Mr. Churchill, by substituting a "Bill relative to nursery inspection" (Senate, No. 647). State Department of Agriculture, — divisions.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended by the substitution of the new draft (Senate, No. 647), was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

The bills

Relative to the taxation of street railway companies (Senate, Bills No. 642);

To establish the Purgatory Chasm State Reservation in the county of Worcester (House, No. 1890); and

To impose an additional tax upon incomes in excess of two thousand dollars from professions, employments, trade or business (House, No. 1910, amended);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The House Bill to establish the salaries of registers and assistant registers of deeds and assistant recorders of the Land Court (House, No. 1903, amended), — was read a second time; and, pending the amendments recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was recommitted to the committee on Ways and Means, on motion of Mr. McLane. Registers of deeds and assistant recorders of the Land Court, — salaries.

The Senate bills

To reimburse certain public officials because of injuries sustained as a result of the performance of public duty (Senate, No. 639); and Senate bills.

Relative to the assessment and collection of taxes in certain districts (Senate, No. 644) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill to provide for the establishment of free clinics and a registry for the feeble-minded (House, No. 1625) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment previously adopted by the Senate, which was sent down for concurrence. Feeble-minded, — free clinics.

General laws,
— corrections.

The House Bill to make certain substantive corrections in existing laws (House, No. 1880, amended), — was read a third time. On motion of Mr. Beck, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session.

State House,
— memorial
tablet for war
animals.

The House Resolve authorizing the erection of a tablet in the State House in memory of the animals who served in the war with Germany (House, No. 1823) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time.

Mr. Walsh moved that the resolve be referred to the next General Court; and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Colburn, Arthur W.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Hardy, Walter A.
Jackson, George H.
Knox, Joseph O.

Messrs. McLane, Walter E.
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 13.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Churchill, George B.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Halliwell, John

Messrs. Hardy, Leonard F.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Kearney, John J.
Mahoney, John J.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Smith, Charles S.
Winchester, Charles A. — 20.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. Augustus P. Loring (present),
Mr. William J. Foley (present),

NAYS.

Mr. George D. Chamberlain.
Mr. David S. McIntosh. — 4.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. Charles L. Gifford,

Mr. George A. Hastings. — 2.

So the Senate refused to refer the resolve to the next General Court.

The question on passing the resolve to be engrossed, in concurrence, was then determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Churchill, George B.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Curran, George E.
Finkel, Samuel B.

Messrs. Hardy, Leonard F.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Kearney, John J.
Nason, Arthur L.
Perrin, Harold L.
Smith, Charles S.
Winchester, Charles A. — 15.

NAYS.

Messrs. Colburn, Arthur W.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Walter A.
Jackson, George H.
Knox, Joseph O.

Messrs. Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 17.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. George D. Chamberlain,
Mr. Francis Prescott (present),

NAYS.

Mr. Augustus P. Loring (present).
Mr. George A. Hastings. — 4.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cronin, John
Gifford, Charles L.

Mr. David S. McIntosh. — 3.

So the resolve was rejected.

On motion of Mr. Beck, at ten minutes past one o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, July 14, 1919.

Met according to adjournment, Mr. Sullivan in the Chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

Commission
on Waterways
and Public
Lands, —
powers and
duties.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill relative to the powers and duties of the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands (House, No. 1916, amended), ought to pass;

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Judges and
registers of
probate, —
salaries.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the recommended Senate Bill to establish the salaries of judges, registers and assistant registers of probate in certain counties (Senate, No. 475), ought to pass in a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 652) (Mr. McLane, dissenting);

Commission
on the neces-
saries of life.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the House Bill to regulate the quality of anthracite coal sold for domestic purposes in this Commonwealth (House, No. 1866, amended); and the House Bill to establish a special commission on the necessities of life (House, No. 1881, amended), — severally, ought to pass in a new draft entitled "An Act to establish a special commission on the necessities of life" (Senate, No. 651);

Ella M.
Herter.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the House Resolve in favor of Ella M. Herter (House, No. 1889), ought to pass in a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 654);

Suffolk
County, —
salaries of
certain officers.

By Mr. Curran, for the same committee, that the recommended Senate Bill to establish the salaries of judges of probate in the counties of Suffolk, Middlesex and Norfolk, the registers and assistant registers of probate in said counties and of certain officers of the county of Suffolk (Senate, No. 587), ought to pass in a new draft entitled "An Act to establish the salary of certain officers of the county of Suffolk" (Senate, No. 653); and

Taunton, —
deficit in
electric light
department.

By Mr. Halliwell, for the committee on Municipal Finance, on the petition of J. William Flood, mayor of the city of Taunton, a Bill to authorize the city of Taunton to borrow money for the purpose of meeting a deficit in the electric light department (Senate, No. 624);

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Suffolk
County, —
first assistant
clerk of the
Superior Court
for criminal
business.

By Mr. Curran, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill to establish the first assistant clerk of the Superior Court for criminal business in the county of Suffolk and to fix his salary (printed as House, No. 982), ought to be referred to the next General Court;

Read, and the bill placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on referring it to the next General Court.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Beck asked unanimous consent that he might move that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at a previous session, it had accepted, in concurrence, the House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1343) of William M. Mason relative to the partition of interests in land held in joint tenancy or tenancy in common; and, there being no objection, this motion was entertained, and it prevailed.

Interests in
land, —
partition.

Pending the recurring question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the same Senator moved that it be amended by substituting a "Bill relative to the partition of interests in land" (Senate, No. 655).

Pending this amendment and pending the main question on accepting the report, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on further motion of Mr. Beck.

On motion of Mr. Beck, by a vote of 13 to 12, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had rejected the House Resolve authorizing the erection of a tablet in the State House in memory of the animals who served in the war with Germany (House, No. 1823).

State House,
— memorial
tablet for war
animals.

The recurring question on passing the resolve to be engrossed, in concurrence, was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Churchill, George B.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curtin, John A.
Finkel, Samuel B.

Messrs. Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Kearney, John J.
Nason, Arthur L.
Prescott, Francis
Smith, Charles S.
Winchester, Charles A. — 16.

NAYS.

Messrs. Colburn, Arthur W.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Jackson, George H.
Knox, Joseph O.

Messrs. Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 14.

PAIRED.**YEAS.**

Mr. Harold L. Perrin,
Mr. James F. Cavanagh,
Mr. George D. Chamberlain,

NAYS.

Mr. William J. Foley (present).
Mr. Edward B. Eames (present).
Mr. Silas D. Reed (present). — 6.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Curran, George E.
McIntosh, David S.

Mr. Malcolm E. Nichols. — 3.

So the resolve was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Motion to Reconsider.

Public school-
teachers, —
certification.

Mr. Tarbell moved that the Senate reconsider the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had passed to be engrossed the Senate Bill to provide for the certification of public school-teachers (Senate, No. 591); and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Cronin, John
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Foley, William J.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.

Messrs. Knox, Joseph O.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E. — 12.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Churchill, George B.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.

Messrs. Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Loring, Augustus P.
Nason, Arthur L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 21.

PAIRED.

YEA.

Mr. Charles A. Winchester (present),

NAY.

Mr. George D. Chamberlain. — 2.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Colburn, Arthur W.

Messrs. Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L. — 4.

So the motion to reconsider was negatived.
The bill was sent down for concurrence.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Beck, —

Senate, —
two sessions
daily.

Ordered, That, unless it shall be otherwise ordered, two sessions of the Senate be held on Tuesday, July 15, at 11 o'clock A.M. and 2 o'clock P.M., and daily thereafter during the remainder of the present session; and that whenever the Senate is in session at a quarter before one o'clock P.M., the President shall declare an adjournment.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Soldiers and
sailors, —
term of bonds
issued to pro-
vide suitable
recognition.

A Bill relative to the term of the bonds to be issued to provide suitable recognition of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the army and navy of the United States during the war with Germany (House, No. 1936), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Subsequently, Mr. Gifford, for the committee, reported that the bill ought to pass; and it was read a second time and a third time, under a suspension of the rules, moved by the same Senator, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Subsequently, the bill, engrossed, came up, and was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 33.

NAYS.—0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Curtin, John A.
Eames, Edward B.

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis — 6.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Bills

To establish the salaries of the clerk and the assistant clerks of the municipal court of the city of Boston for civil business (House, No. 1930, — new draft of Senate Bill No. 634);

Boston, —
municipal court
for civil
business.

To establish the salaries of the clerk and the assistant clerks of the municipal court of the city of Boston for criminal business (House, No. 1931, amended, — new draft of Senate Bill No. 635);

Boston, —
municipal court
for criminal
business.

To provide further for the construction of State highways by the Massachusetts Highway Commission (House, No. 1932, — on the recommendations of said Commission, House, No. 1162, see House, Nos. 1163 and 1164); and

State highways.

To impose special taxes to provide suitable recognition of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the army and navy of the United States during the war with Germany (House, No. 1933, — on the order, in part, based, in part, on the petition of William Plattner, accompanied by bill, House, No. 990; the petition of James E. Odlin and others, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1119; the petition of Edward F. Harrington, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1121; the petition of Roland D. Sawyer, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1122; the petition of

Special taxes,
— bonuses for
soldiers and
sailors.

Matthew A. Higgins, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1245; and the petition of Alvin E. Bliss, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1273);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Attorneys who
are members
of General
Court, —
attendance
in court.

A Bill relative to attendance in court by attorneys who are members of the General Court (House, No. 1886, changed and amended, — on the petition of Lloyd Makepeace), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Sale of alcohol.

The Senate Bill regulating the sale of alcohol (Senate, No. 626, amended), — came up, with the endorsement that the House had non-concurred in the adoption of the following Senate amendments:

In section 1 (amended by the House by striking out, in line 7, the word "alcohol", and inserting in place thereof the words "either of the said alcohols") striking out from the foregoing amendment the word "either", and inserting in place thereof the word "any"; and with the following additional amendments: —

In section 1, inserting after the word "corporation", in line 1, the words "other than a registered druggist"; and

Striking out section 3, and inserting in place thereof the following: "SECTION 3. Every container of methyl alcohol or wood alcohol, so called, or denatured alcohol, shall be labelled in accordance with the provisions of section one of chapter five hundred and forty-one of the Acts of nineteen hundred and ten. The label shall also contain the number of the license as issued to the vendor by the board of health."

Committee
of conference.

On motions of Mr. Walsh, the Senate insisted on its amendments and asked for a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches. Messrs Walsh, Reed and Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden were appointed the committee on its part.

Sent down for concurrence in the appointment of a committee of conference.

Committee
of conference.
— State House;
additional
watchmen.

A Report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches with reference to the engrossed Bill to authorize the Sergeant-at-Arms to employ additional watchmen at the State House (see Senate, No. 582, changed and amended), recommending that the House recede from its amendment, — was read and, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McLane, was considered forthwith and was accepted, in concurrence.

The bill was then sent down for enactment, the emergency preamble having previously been adopted, in concurrence.

Emergency Preambles Adopted.

Soldiers and
sailors, —
plumbers'
licenses.

An engrossed Bill relative to the granting of plumbers' licenses to certain soldiers and sailors (see House, No. 1906), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble,

in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 35.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Prescott, Francis — 4.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

An engrossed Bill extending the time for applications for registration as chiroprapodists to persons absent from the Commonwealth by reason of military or naval service (see House, No. 1907), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

Soldiers and
sailors, —
registration as
chiroprapodists.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 33.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Curtin, John A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis — 6.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.
Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first five of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To authorize the use of armories by veterans of the war with Germany;

Relative to the distribution of the tax on incomes;

To authorize the district attorney for the southeastern district to appoint a deputy district attorney;

To establish the salary of the Treasurer and Receiver-General;

To establish the salary of the Auditor of the Commonwealth;

Relative to the establishment and maintenance of continuation schools and courses of instruction for employed minors;

To authorize the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Bristol to employ additional clerical assistance; and

Relative to the term of the bonds to be issued to provide suitable recognition of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the army and navy of the United States during the war with Germany.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

State
employees, —
salaries.

The Senate Bill to regulate increases in the salaries of officers and employees in the service of the Commonwealth and to repeal inconsistent provisions of existing laws relative to the classification and grading of stenographers and clerks (Senate, No. 510), — was considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading.

The Senate adopted the amendments previously moved by Mr. Smith, — In section 1, inserting after the word "act", in line 8, the words "except officials and employees whose salaries are now or shall be regulated by statute,"; also adding the following new section: "SECTION 3. Nothing in this act shall be construed as modifying in any respect salaries of officers or employees of the Commonwealth regulated by statute."

There being no objection, Mr. Reed withdrew his pending motion that the bill be referred to the next General Court.

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third

Reading so as to read as follows: "An Act to regulate increases in the salaries of certain officers and employees of the Commonwealth."

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill relative to the housing of the people in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 643), — was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

There being no objection, Mr. McLane withdrew his pending motion that the bill be referred to the next General Court.

Mr. Finkel moved that the bill be amended as follows:—

In section 89, by adding at the end thereof the following: "In case of a violation of any of the provisions of sections sixty-five and seventy-two, or of any other provision of this act imposing a duty on an occupant of a suite or dwelling, notice of the alleged violation shall be given to the occupant of the suite or dwelling in regard to which a violation is charged, together with a demand that the provision of the section in question be complied with at a time not later than ten days from the date of the notice. Service of such notice and demand shall be made by mailing or delivering a copy of the notice attested by a sheriff, deputy sheriff or constable, to the occupant at the suite or dwelling in question."

In section 101, by adding at the end thereof the words " , except as to any provision of this act which restricts the height of buildings to a height lower than allowed by any existing act or acts."

By striking out section 102, and inserting in place thereof the following: "SECTION 102. Sections forty-two, forty-four, forty-six to sixty-seven, both inclusive, and sixty-nine to seventy-six, both inclusive, of chapter five hundred and fifty of the Acts of nineteen hundred and seven, section forty-three of said chapter as amended by section nine of chapter seven hundred and eighty-two of the Acts of nineteen hundred and fourteen, section forty-five of said chapter five hundred and fifty as amended by section ten of chapter seven hundred and eighty-two of the Acts of nineteen hundred and fourteen and by section four of chapter three hundred and fifty-two of the Special Acts of nineteen hundred and fifteen, and section sixty-eight of said chapter five hundred and fifty as amended by section one of chapter six hundred and twenty-eight of the Acts of nineteen hundred and fourteen and by chapter three hundred and forty-six of the Special Acts of nineteen hundred and fifteen are hereby repealed."

Pending these amendments and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on further motion of Mr. Finkel.

The bills

Relative to nursery inspection (Senate, No. 647); and

To establish the basis of apportionment of State and county taxes (House, No. 1917);

Were severally ordered to a third reading.

Nursery
inspection.
State and
county taxes.

**Motor-vehicles,
— report of
special
commission.**

The House Report of the committee on Roads and Bridges, no further legislation necessary, on the report of the special commission which was directed to consider whether the present fees for the registration of motor-vehicles and for licensing the operators thereof are equitable and sufficient, whether changes should be made in the method of distributing or applying said fees, and whether there is need of further legislation to regulate the sale of second hand motor-vehicles or to prevent the larceny of motor-vehicles (House, No. 1450), — was accepted, in concurrence.

**General laws,
— corrections.**

The House Bill to make certain substantive corrections in existing laws (House, No. 1880, amended), — was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Mr. Counihan moved that the bill be amended in section 3, by adding at the end thereof the words “, and all acts and parts of acts, to the extent that the same were repealed by said sections ninety-nine and one hundred, are hereby revived and re-enacted.”

Pending this amendment, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of the same Senator.

Bills.

The bills

Relative to the apportionment of county taxes (Senate, No. 648);

Relative to the taking and sale of certain seed and adult scallops under the authority of the Fish and Game Commission (Senate, No. 649); and

To provide for the grading of fresh fish and the appointment of inspectors and to establish regulations for the sale and cold storage of fresh fish (Senate, No. 650);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

**North Brook-
field and New
Braintree, —
highway.**

The House Bill to provide for the construction by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a highway in the town of North Brookfield leading to the town of New Braintree (House, No. 1644, amended), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

**State
departments, —
organisation.**

The House Bill to organize in departments the executive and administrative functions of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1900), — was read a second time and was amended, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, as follows:

In section 53, by striking out all after the word “appoint”, in line 7, to and including the word “abolish”, in line 28, and inserting in place thereof the following: — “the deputy and the second deputy commissioner which shall be in lieu of the deputies now provided for by section two of part III of chapter four hundred and ninety of the Acts of nineteen hundred and nine

and acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto, who shall perform such duties as may be assigned to them by the commissioner and in his absence or disability shall perform all duties required by law of said commissioner. The deputy commissioner shall receive such annual salary not exceeding five thousand dollars, and the second deputy such annual salary not exceeding four thousand dollars as may be fixed by the commissioner with the approval of the Governor and Council. The commissioner shall organize the department into such divisions as may be required including an income tax division, a division of corporations, a division of inheritance taxes, a division of local taxation and a division of accounts. He shall appoint, subject to the approval of the Governor and Council, a director to take charge of each division and may remove any director with like approval. The director in charge of the income tax division shall be in lieu of the income tax deputy now provided for by section seventeen of chapter two hundred and sixty-nine of the Acts of nineteen hundred and sixteen. The directors in charge of the divisions of inheritance taxes and local taxation shall be in lieu of two of the assistants provided for by section two of part III of chapter four hundred and ninety of the Acts of nineteen hundred and nine and acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto.”;

In section 55, by inserting after the word “may”, in line 5, the words “subject to the provisions of law relative to appointments and removals by the Tax Commissioner and Commissioner of Corporations, and”;

In section 66, by striking out, in line 10, the word “shall”, and inserting in place thereof the word “may”; and by striking out, in the same line, the word “may” before the word “remove”;

In section 70, by inserting after the word “labor”, in line 6, the words “and one of whom shall be a representative of employers of labor”;

In section 72, by inserting after the word “commissioners”, in line 1, the words “shall constitute a board, to be known as the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration”; and by inserting after the word “documents”, in line 15, the following sentences: “In any controversy referred to the board on a joint application under any arbitration agreement they shall employ special experts at the request of either party. One such expert shall be selected from a list furnished by each party to the controversy. The expense of such experts shall be borne by the State.”;

In section 119, by striking out, in lines 13 and 14, the words “and in the decision”; by striking out, in line 16, the word “three”, and inserting in place thereof the word “two”; and by inserting after the word “participate”, in the same line, the words “and in the decision of such matters at least three commissioners shall participate”; and

In section 124, by inserting after the word “jurisdiction”, in line 7, the words “and at least one shall be a resident of the city of Boston”.

On motion of Mr. Beck, the bill was further amended as follows: In section 46, by striking out, in line 7, the words "and loan agencies"; in section 47, by striking out, in lines 8 and 9, the words "and loan agencies"; and in section 49, by striking out, in lines 1 and 2, the words "and loan agencies".

On motion of Mr. Hobbs, the bill was further amended as follows:

In section 1, in the clause "A metropolitan district commission is also established as hereinafter provided", by inserting after the word "also", the word "hereby"; and by inserting after the word "provided", the words "and the provisions of Part I of this act shall apply to said commission";

In section 59, by striking out, in line 7, the word "charge", and inserting in place thereof the word "supervision";

In section 69, by striking out, in line 32, the words "except as is otherwise hereinafter provided";

In section 104, by inserting after the word "compounds", in line 12, the words "and of the State fire marshal under the provisions of chapter thirty-two of the Revised Laws and acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto."; -

In section 118, by inserting after the word "members", in line 3, the words ", to be known as the Public Utilities Commission,"; by striking out, in line 15, the word "eight", and inserting in place thereof the word "nine"; and by striking out, in line 16, the word "seven", and inserting in place thereof the word "eight".

On motion of Mr. Smith, the bill was further amended in section 42, by striking out, in line 20, the word "four", and inserting in place thereof the word "five".

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

Hubbardston
and Rutland,
— highway.

The House Bill to provide for the further improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a highway in the towns of Hubbardston and Rutland (House, No. 1913), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Holyoke, —
State highway.

The House Bill authorizing the construction by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a State highway within the limits of the city of Holyoke (House, No. 1914), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Sergeant-at-
Arms, —
salary of
first clerk.

The House Bill to establish the salary of Adelbert M. Mossman as first clerk in the department of the Sergeant-at-Arms (House, No. 1915), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Milford and
Hopkinton, —
highway
improvement.

The House Bill to provide for the improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of the highway leading from Milford to Southborough through Hopkinton (House, No. 1922,

amended), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Bill to provide further for the improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a State highway in the town of Dracut and city of Methuen (House, No. 1923), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Dracut and Methuen, — highway.

The House Bill to prohibit the unauthorized possession of bombs and explosives (House, No. 1926), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bombs and explosives, — unauthorized possession.

The Senate Bill relative to the power of the Public Service Commission to suspend the taking effect of proposed changes in rates charged by common carriers (Senate, No. 641), — was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed, by a vote of 12 to 6.

Common carriers, — changes in rates.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill relative to the taxation of street railway companies (Senate, No. 642), — was read a third time. On motion of Mr. Cavanagh, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session.

Street railway companies, — taxation.

The House Bill to establish the Purgatory Chasm State Reservation in the county of Worcester (House, No. 1890), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended as follows:

Purgatory Chasm State Reservation.

In section 1, by striking out, in lines 1 and 2, the words "Within thirty days after the passage of this act";

In section 2, by adding at the end thereof the following: "In case the commission and any owner of lands taken by right of eminent domain under the provisions of this section are unable to agree as to the compensation to be paid for the land taken, the same shall be determined in the same manner as when land is taken for highway purposes."; and

In section 4, by inserting after the word "expended", in line 2, the words "from the treasury of the Commonwealth".

These amendments were adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill to impose an additional tax upon incomes in excess of two thousand dollars from professions, employments, trade or business (House, No. 1910, amended), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

House bill.

On motion of Mr. Tarbell, at two minutes past five o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

TUESDAY, July 15, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Petition.*Suffolk
County, —
medical
examiners.

Mr. Beck presented a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 656) of Joseph C. Pelletier and others relative to the compensation of medical examiners in the county of Suffolk; and the petition was referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. McLane, to the committee on Counties.

Sent down for concurrence.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Interests in
land, —
partition.

The House Report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1343) of William M. Mason relative to the partition of interests in land held in joint tenancy or tenancy in common, — was considered, the main question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

The Senate adopted the pending amendment, previously moved by Mr. Beck, — that a "Bill relative to the partition of interests in land" (Senate, No. 655), be substituted; and, accordingly, the bill was substituted; and it was read and, under the rule, was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Boston, —
housing of
the people.

The Senate Bill relative to the housing of the people in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 643), — was considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading.

The Senate adopted the following pending amendments, previously moved by Mr. Finkel, to wit: —

In section 89, by adding at the end thereof the following: "In case of a violation of any of the provisions of sections sixty-five and seventy-two, or of any other provision of this act imposing a duty on an occupant of a suite or dwelling, notice of the alleged violation shall be given to the occupant of the suite or dwelling in regard to which a violation is charged, together with a demand that the provision of the section in question be complied with at a time not later than ten days from the date of the notice. Service of such notice and demand shall be made by mailing or delivering a copy of the notice attested by a sheriff, deputy sheriff or constable, to the occupant at the suite or dwelling in question."

In section 101, by adding at the end thereof the words " , except as to any provision of this act which restricts the height

of buildings to a height lower than allowed by any existing act or acts."

By striking out section 102, and inserting in place thereof the following: "SECTION 102. Sections forty-two, forty-four, forty-six to sixty-seven, both inclusive, and sixty-nine to seventy-six, both inclusive, of chapter five hundred and fifty of the Acts of nineteen hundred and seven, section forty-three of said chapter as amended by section nine of chapter seven hundred and eighty-two of the Acts of nineteen hundred and fourteen, section forty-five of said chapter five hundred and fifty as amended by section ten of chapter seven hundred and eighty-two of the Acts of nineteen hundred and fourteen and by section four of chapter three hundred and fifty-two of the Special Acts of nineteen hundred and fifteen, and section sixty-eight of said chapter five hundred and fifty as amended by section one of chapter six hundred and twenty-eight of the Acts of nineteen hundred and fourteen and by chapter three hundred and forty-six of the Special Acts of nineteen hundred and fifteen are hereby repealed."

Mr. Mahoney moved that the bill, as amended, be referred to the next General Court; and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Callahan, Edward
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Eames, Edward B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Winchester, Charles A. — 12.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Cavanagh, James F.
Churchill, George B.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Loring, Augustus P.
Nason, Arthur L.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Walsh, John J. — 18.

PAIRED.

YEA.

Mr. Warren E. Tarbell (present),

NAY.

Mr. George D. Chamberlain. — 2.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Curtin, John A.
Jackson, George H.

Messrs. McIntosh, David S.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 7.

So the Senate refused to refer the bill to the next General Court.

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

General laws, —
corrections.

The House Bill to make certain substantive corrections in existing laws (House, No. 1880, amended), — was considered; and pending the amendment previously moved by Mr. Counihan, and pending the main question on passing the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Beck.

Street
railway
companies,
— taxation.

The Senate Bill relative to the taxation of street railway companies (Senate, No. 642), — was considered; and, pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Cavanagh.

The engrossed bills

Middlefield, —
highway
between
Chester and
Worthington.
Westborough
and Grafton, —
highway.

To provide for the improvement of the highway in the town of Middlefield leading from Chester to Worthington (see Senate, No. 125, amended); and

To provide for the improvement of the highway between the towns of Westborough and Grafton (see Senate, No. 524);

Were severally passed to be enacted; and, having been signed by the President, were severally laid before the Governor for his approbation.

The bills

Bills.

To authorize the city of Taunton to borrow money for the purpose of meeting a deficit in the electric light department (Senate, No. 624);

To establish a Special Commission on the Necessaries of Life (Senate, No. 651);

To establish the salary of certain officers of the county of Suffolk (Senate, No. 653);

Relative to attendance in court by attorneys who are members of the General Court (House, No. 1886, changed and amended); and

Relative to the powers and duties of the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands (House, No. 1916, amended); and

Resolve.

The Resolve in favor of Ella M. Herter (Senate, No. 654);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Judges and
registers of
probate, —
salaries.

The Bill to establish the salaries of judges, registers and assistant registers of probate in certain counties (Senate, No. 652), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Beck, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session.

Suffolk
County, —
first assistant
clerk of the
Superior Court
for criminal
business.

The Senate Bill to establish the first assistant clerk of the Superior Court for criminal business in the county of Suffolk and to fix his salary (printed as House, No. 982), — was referred to the next General Court, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means.

Senate bill.

The Senate Bill relative to the inspection of nursery stock (Senate, No. 647) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill to organize in departments the executive and administrative functions of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1900), — was read a third time, as previously amended by the Senate. On motion of Mr. McLane, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session.

State
departments, —
organization.

On motion of Mr. Beck, at eighteen minutes before one o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet at two o'clock P.M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Reports of a Committee.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill relative to the taxation of domestic business corporations (House, No. 1918); and

Domestic
business cor-
porations, —
taxation.

The House Resolve providing for an investigation by a special commission of the question of the regulation of bill-boards and other advertising devices adjoining public highways (House, No. 1920, amended), — severally, ought to pass;

Bill-boards
and other
advertising
devices.

By Mr. Churchill, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill relative to the Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company (Senate, No. 562); and

Eastern
Massachusetts
Street Railway
Company.

The House Bill to provide further for the construction of State highways by the Massachusetts Highway Commission (House, No. 1932), — severally, ought to pass; and

State
highways.

By Mr. Curran, for the same committee, that the House bills

To establish the salaries of the clerk and the assistant clerks of the municipal court of the city of Boston for civil business (House, No. 1930, amended); and

Boston, —
municipal
court for
civil business.

To establish the salaries of the clerk and the assistant clerks of the municipal court of the city of Boston for criminal business (House, No. 1931, amended), — severally, ought to pass;

Boston, —
municipal
court for
criminal
business.

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill to impose special taxes to provide suitable recognition of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the army and navy of the United States during the war with Germany (House, No. 1933), — ought to pass with the following amendments: Striking out section 6 and inserting in place thereof the following new section:

Special taxes,
— bonuses for
soldiers and
sailors.

"SECTION 6. All tax bills for the collection of taxes imposed in accordance with sections one to five, inclusive, of this act, shall show on the face thereof that said taxes are imposed for the purpose of raising funds to provide for the payments hereby authorized to the soldiers and sailors of Massachusetts who served in the war with Germany. The Tax Commissioner shall have authority to make suitable regulations for the enforcement of this provision"; and

By inserting a new section, to be numbered section 9, as follows:
"SECTION 9. The provisions of section three of chapter two hundred and fifty-five of the General Acts of nineteen hundred and eighteen, for the apportionment of net income to this Commonwealth, shall apply to corporations taxable under the provisions of chapter two hundred and fifty-three of the General Acts of nineteen hundred and eighteen, as revived by sections one and two of this act."

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading, with the amendments pending.

Taken from the Table.

Industrial
Accident
Board, —
Director of
Public Safety.

On motion of Mr. Hobbs, the Senate Bill establishing the position of Director of Public Safety in the department of the Industrial Accident Board (Senate, No. 530), — was taken from the table and considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

On further motion of the same Senator, the bill was amended in section 1, by striking out, in lines 1 and 8, respectively, the words "Industrial Accident Board", and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the words "State Board of Labor and Industries"; and by striking out sections 2 and 3.

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

State tax.

To apportion and assess a State tax of eleven million dollars (House, No. 1937); and

Superior
Court, —
stenographers.

To establish the salaries of stenographers of the Superior Court (House, No. 1941, — new draft of Senate Bill No. 467, amended); and

Senate and
House, —
compensation
of pages.

A Resolve providing additional compensation for the pages of the Senate and House of Representatives (House, No. 1929, introduced on leave);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills

Marion, —
powers of
commission of
public works.

To extend the powers of the commission of public works in the town of Marion (House, No. 1911, on the petition of George B. Crapo and others);

Attleboro, —
operation of
street railway.

To extend the time within which assessments may be made by the city of Attleboro upon the owners of estates benefited by the operation of a street railway (House, No. 1912, on the petition of George M. Worrall); and

Malden,
Medford and
Everett, —
development
of Port of
Boston.

To authorize the cities of Malden, Medford and Everett to incur indebtedness in connection with the development of the Port of Boston (House, No. 1938, — on the petition of Charles M. Blodgett, mayor, and others, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1921);

Were severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

The Senate Bill regulating the sale of alcohol (Senate, No. 626, amended), — came up, with the endorsement that the House had insisted on its non-concurrence in the adoption of the Senate amendments, and had concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches; and that Messrs. Gibbs of Waltham, Monk of Watertown and Wells of Boston, had been joined.

Sale of
alcohol, —
committee of
conference.

The Senate Bill to provide for earlier collection of poll-taxes (Senate, No. 637), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment adding the following new section: "SECTION 4. All moneys received by collectors of taxes from the payment of poll-taxes as herein provided shall be accounted for and turned over by said collectors in the manner provided by law for the accounting and turning over of collected taxes, and in the settlement of the collector for taxes committed to him by warrant he shall receive credit for moneys thus accounted for and turned over by him."

Poll-taxes,
— earlier
collection.

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the amendment was considered forthwith and was adopted, in concurrence.

A Report of the committee on Municipal Finance, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 619) of Edward F. McLaughlin that the city of Boston be authorized to provide shelter for its inhabitants (Messrs. Halliwell and Beck, of the Senate, dissenting), — was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Boston, —
shelter for
inhabitants.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate Bill to provide for the appointment of a State officer for the purpose of enforcing the laws relating to school attendance (Senate, No. 575), had been referred, by the House, to the next General Court.

School
attendance, —
State officer.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1944) of David J. Maloney that members of the General Court be authorized to administer oaths in connection with applications for soldiers' bonuses; and the petition was returned to the House for its action.

Members of
General Court,
—administer-
ing of oaths;
soldiers'
bonuses.

Emergency Preamble Not Adopted.

An engrossed Bill relative to the payment of dividends or interest on savings deposits (House, No. 1892, amended), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

Trust
companies, —
interest on
deposits.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Callahan, Edward
Cronin, John
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.

Messrs. Hardy, Walter A.
Kearney, John J.
Mahoney, John J.
Reed, Silas D.
Walsh, John J. — 10.

NAYS.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.

Messrs. McLane, Walter E.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Smith, Charles S.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 11.

PAIRED.

YEA.

NAY.

Mr. Charles A. Winchester (present), Mr. Peter F. Sullivan, — 2.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Gifford, Charles L.

Messrs. Halliwell, John
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
McIntosh, David S.
Nason, Arthur L.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis. — 16.

So the Senate refused to adopt the preamble, two-thirds of the members voting thereon not having voted in the affirmative; and, under the provisions of Joint Rule No. 22, notice of the Senate's action was sent to the House and the bill was returned to the Secretary of the Commonwealth "for reëngrossment without the said preamble and without any provision that the bill shall take effect earlier than ninety days after it has become law."

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To authorize the Sergeant-at-Arms to employ additional watchmen at the State House;

Relative to the granting of plumbers' licenses to certain soldiers and sailors;

Extending the time for applications for registration as chiropractors to persons absent from the Commonwealth by reason of military or naval service;

To provide for the establishment of free clinics and a registry for the feeble-minded;

To provide for the further improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a highway in the towns of Hubbardston and Rutland; and

To provide for the construction by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a highway in the town of North Brookfield leading to the town of New Braintree.

Resolve
passed, etc.

An engrossed Resolve authorizing the erection of a tablet in the State House in memory of the animals who served in the war with Germany (which originated in the House), — was passed and, with the above-named bills, was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Bill to make certain substantive corrections in existing laws (House, No. 1880, amended), — was considered, the main question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence. General laws, — corrections.

The Senate rejected the pending amendment, previously moved by Mr. Counihan, — in section 3, adding at the end thereof the words “, and all acts and parts of acts, to the extent that the same were repealed by said sections ninety-nine and one hundred, are hereby revived and reenacted.”

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate Bill relative to the taxation of street railway companies (Senate, No. 642), — was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed. Street railway companies, — taxation.

On motion of Mr. Cavanagh, the bill was amended in section 1, by striking out, in line 2, the words “not under public control.”

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed, by a vote of 17 to 6.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill to establish the salaries of judges, registers and assistant registers of probate in certain counties (Senate, No. 652), — was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading. Judges and registers of probate, — salaries.

Mr. Beck moved that the bill be amended as follows: —

In section 4, by striking out, in line 6, the words “, except Middlesex,”; and by striking out all after the word “county”, in line 8; in section 5, by striking out, in line 2, the words “, except Middlesex,”; and by striking out all after the word “probate”, in line 4; and in section 6, by striking out, in line 2, the words “, except Middlesex,”; and by striking out all after the word “probate”, in line 4.

Mr. Perrin moved that the bill be amended by adding the following new section: “SECTION 15. The provisions of this act shall not apply to the county of Norfolk.”

The amendments moved by Mr. Beck were rejected, by a vote of 2 to 13.

The amendment moved by Mr. Perrin was adopted, by a vote of 14 to 8.

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill to organize in departments the executive and administrative functions of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1900), — was considered, the question being on passing it to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments previously adopted by the Senate. State departments, — organization.

Mr. Curran moved that the bill be further amended by striking out section 85 and inserting in place thereof the following new section: "SECTION 85. The duties prescribed by law for the Board of Parole of the Bureau of Prisons shall hereafter be performed by a board to consist of a deputy commissioner designated by the commissioner, and two members to be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Council. The board so appointed shall be known as the Board of Parole and shall be considered a board of the department of correction. The first appointments of members shall be for terms of two and three years, respectively. Thereafter as the terms expire the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Council, shall appoint the members for the term of three years, shall fill any vacancy for the unexpired term, and may, with the consent of the Council, remove said members. The deputy commissioner shall act as chairman of said board but shall receive no additional compensation for his services thereon. The two appointive members shall each receive fifteen dollars for each day of actual service on the board, but not to exceed two thousand dollars in any year."

The question on adopting the amendment was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Smith, Charles S.
Winchester, Charles A. — 15.

NAYS.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Loring, Augustus P.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 20.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John

Messrs. Eames, Edward B.
Perrin, Harold L. — 4.

So the amendment was rejected.

Mr. Smith moved that the bill be further amended as follows:

By striking out section 34 and inserting in place thereof the following new section: "SECTION 34. The State Department of Agriculture existing under authority of chapter two hundred and sixty-eight of the Acts of nineteen hundred and eighteen and the Department of Animal Industry existing under authority of chapter six hundred and eight of the Acts of nineteen hundred and twelve are hereby abolished. All the rights, powers, duties

and obligations of said departments and of the commissioners thereof are hereby transferred to and shall hereafter be exercised and performed by the Department of Agriculture established by this act, which shall be the lawful successor of said State Department of Agriculture and said Department of Animal Industry.”;

In section 37, by inserting after the word “functions”, in line 7, the words “The division of dairying and animal husbandry shall exercise the functions of the present Department of Animal Industry and such other functions as the commissioner may assign to it.”;

In section 38, by inserting after the word “products”, in line 4, the words “animal industry”;

In section 39, by striking out the last sentence;

In section 40, by striking out, in line 4, the word “three”, and inserting in place thereof the word “two”; by inserting after the word “forestry”, in line 5, the word “and”; by striking out, in lines 5 and 6, the words “and the division of animal industry”; and by striking out, after the words “fisheries and game”, in line 12, the remainder of the section;

In section 41, by striking out the last sentence; and

By striking out section 44.

These amendments were rejected, by a vote of 5 to 11.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments previously adopted by the Senate, which were sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill relative to the partition of interests in land (Senate, No. 655), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Land, —
partition of
interests.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate bills

To authorize the city of Taunton to borrow money for the purpose of meeting a deficit in the electric light department (Senate, No. 624);

Senate bills.

Relative to the apportionment of county taxes (Senate, No. 648);

Relative to the taking and sale of certain seed and adult scallops (Senate, No. 649) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

To provide for the grading of fresh fish and the appointment of inspectors and to establish regulations for the sale and cold storage of fresh fish (Senate, No. 650); and

The Senate Resolve in favor of Ella M. Herter (Senate, No. 654);

Senate resolve.

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Severally sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill relative to the housing of the people in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 643), — was read a third time, as previously amended.

Boston, —
housing of
the people.

Mr. Mahoney moved that the bill be amended by striking out section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following new section: "SECTION 1. This act shall apply to all cities having not less than fifty thousand population, according to the latest State or National census."

This amendment was rejected, by a vote of 7 to 13.

Mr. Winchester moved that the bill be amended by striking out section 103 and inserting in place thereof the following new section: — "SECTION 103. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the mayor and city council of the city of Boston providing such acceptance occurs prior to the thirty-first day of December in the current year."

The question on adopting the latter amendment was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Foley, William J.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.

Messrs. Knox, Joseph O.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Winchester, Charles A. — 12.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Curtin, John A.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Hardy, Leonard F.

Messrs. Hardy, Walter A.
Loring, Augustus P.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 20.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. Warren E. Tarbell,
Mr. John Halliwell (present),

NAYS.

Mr. Clarence W. Hobbs, Jr. (present).
Mr. Charles L. Gifford. — 4.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.

Mr. George A. Hastings. — 3.

So the amendment was rejected.

Mr. Winchester moved that the bill be amended by adding at the end thereof the following new section: —

"SECTION —. The provisions of this act shall apply only to new construction, and to repairs or reconstruction of existing buildings, and shall not otherwise apply to existing buildings."

This amendment was rejected, by a vote of 8 to 12.

The question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Hardy, Leonard F.

Messrs. Hardy, Walter A.
Kearney, John J.
Loring, Augustus P.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 21.

NAYS.

Messrs. Cronin, John
Foley, William J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Mahoney, John J.

Messrs. McLane, Walter E.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Winchester, Charles A. — 7.

PAIRED.

YEA.

Mr. Clarence W. Hobbs, Jr. (present),

NAY.

Mr. John Halliwell. — 2.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Colburn, Arthur W.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
McIntosh, David S.
Nason, Arthur L.
Perrin, Harold L. — 9.

So the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate Bill to establish a Special Commission on the
Necessaries of Life (Senate, No. 651), — was read a third time
and was amended in section 1, on motion of Mr. Hardy of
Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, by striking out, in lines
14, 15, 16 and 17, the words “, including food, fuel, ice, clothing
and such other commodities as the commission may see fit to
investigate.”

Special
Commission
on the
Necessaries
of Life.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House bills

Relative to attendance in court by attorneys who are members
of the General Court (House, No. 1886, changed and amended);

House bills.

and
To establish the basis of apportionment of State and county
taxes (House, No. 1917);

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed,
in concurrence.

The House Bill relative to the powers and duties of the
Commission on Waterways and Public Lands in respect to

Commission
on Waterways
and Public

Lands, —
powers and
duties.

certain lands (House, No. 1916) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time. On motion of Mr. Reed, the bill was recommitted to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

On motion of Mr. Beck, at fourteen minutes before six o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

WEDNESDAY, July 16, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

To establish the salaries of clerks and assistant clerks of courts (House, No. 1939, amended, — new draft of Senate Bill No. 608); Clerks of courts, — salaries.

To apportion and assess the special State tax required by the act to impose special taxes to provide suitable recognition of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the army and navy of the United States during the war with Germany (House, No. 1942); Special State tax of \$600,000.

Relative to the taxation of incomes from professions, employments, trades and business (House, No. 1943, — on the report of the joint special recess committee on Taxation, Senate, No. 313, in part); and Incomes, — taxation.

Relative to the taxation of corporations (House, No. 1946, — on the petitions of Charles L. Gifford, accompanied by bills, Senate, Nos. 92 and 93; the petition of Leland Powers, accompanied by bill, House, No. 96; the petition of Cornelius Boothman, accompanied by bill, House, No. 299; the petition of Henry H. Bond, accompanied by bill, House, No. 1274; and, in part, on the report of the joint special recess committee on Taxation, Senate, No. 313); Corporations, — taxation.

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The House Bill relative to the powers and duties of the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands in respect to certain lands (House, No. 1916, amended) (having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, to whom it had been recommitted), — was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Commission on Waterways and Public Lands.

The Bill relative to the Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company (Senate, No. 562), — was read a second time. On motion of Mr. Nason, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session. Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company.

The House Bill to extend the powers of the commission of public works in the town of Marion (House, No. 1911), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Marion, — powers of commission of public works.

Attleboro, —
operation of
street railway.

The House Bill to extend the time within which assessments may be made by the city of Attleboro upon the owners of estates benefited by the operation of a street railway (House, No. 1912), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill.

The Bill relative to the taxation of domestic business corporations (House, No. 1918); and

Resolve.

The Resolve providing for an investigation by a special commission of the question of the regulation of bill-boards and other advertising devices adjoining public highways (House, No. 1920, amended);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Boston, —
municipal
court for
civil business.

The House Bill to establish the salaries of the clerk and the assistant clerks of the municipal court of the city of Boston for civil business (House, No. 1930, amended), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Boston, —
municipal
court for
criminal
business.

The House Bill to establish the salaries of the clerk and the assistant clerks of the municipal court of the city of Boston for criminal business (House, No. 1931, amended), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

State highways.

The House Bill to provide further for the construction of State highways by the Massachusetts Highway Commission (House, No. 1932), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Special taxes,
— bonuses for
soldiers and
sailors.

The House Bill to impose special taxes to provide suitable recognition of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the Army and Navy of the United States during the war with Germany (House, No. 1933), — was read a second time and was amended, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, by striking out section 6 and inserting in place thereof the following new section: "SECTION 6. All tax bills for the collection of taxes imposed in accordance with sections one to five, inclusive, of this act, shall show on the face thereof that said taxes are imposed for the purpose of raising funds to provide for the payments hereby authorized to the soldiers and sailors of Massachusetts who served in the war with Germany. The Tax Commissioner shall have authority to make suitable regulations for the enforcement of this provision"; and also by inserting a new section, to be numbered section 9, as follows: "SECTION 9. The provisions of section three of chapter two hundred and fifty-five of the General Acts of nineteen hundred and eighteen, for the apportionment of net income to this Commonwealth, shall apply to corporations taxable under the provisions of chapter two hun-

dred and fifty-three of the General Acts of nineteen hundred and eighteen, as revived by sections one and two of this act."

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

The House Bill to authorize the cities of Malden, Medford and Everett to incur indebtedness in connection with the development of the Port of Boston (House, No. 1938), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Malden, Medford and Everett, — development of Port of Boston.

The Senate Bill to establish the salaries of certain officers of the county of Suffolk (Senate, No. 653) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time and, by a vote of 15 to 4, was amended in section 2, on motion of Mr. Walsh, by striking out, in line 4, the word "twenty-five", and inserting in place thereof the word "twenty-eight".

Suffolk County, — salaries of certain officers.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Report of the committee on Municipal Finance, reference to the next General Court, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 619) of Edward F. McLaughlin that the city of Boston be authorized to provide shelter for its inhabitants, — was considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

Boston, — shelter for inhabitants.

On motion of Mr. Beck, by a vote of 10 to 6, the report was amended by substituting a "Bill to authorize the city of Boston to provide shelter for its inhabitants" (Senate, No. 619); and the bill was read and, under the rule, was placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Hastings, at eleven minutes past twelve o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet at two o'clock P.M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment, Mr. McLane in the chair.

Reports of a Committee.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House bills

To apportion and assess a State tax of eleven million dollars (House, No. 1937);

State tax.

To apportion and assess the special State tax required by the act to impose special taxes to provide suitable recognition of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the Army and Navy of the United States during the war with Germany (House, No. 1942); and

Special State tax of \$600,000.

Relative to the taxation of corporations (House, No. 1946), — severally, ought to pass; and

Corporations, — taxation.

Massachusetts
School Fund,
— distribution.

By Mr. Churchill, for the same committee, that the Senate Bill to provide for the distribution of a portion of the income tax, and of the income of the Massachusetts School Fund, for the purpose of improving the public schools (Senate, No. 558) (Mr. Curran, dissenting); and

General Court,
— additional
compensation
for pages.

The House Resolve providing additional compensation for the pages of the Senate and House of Representatives (House, No. 1929), — severally, ought to pass;

Severally placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Superior Court,
— stenog-
raphers.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the House Bill to establish the salaries of stenographers of the Superior Court (House, No. 1941), ought to pass in a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 657);

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Incomes, —
taxation.

By the same Senator, for the same committee, that the House Bill relative to the taxation of incomes from professions, employments, trades and business (House, No. 1943), ought to pass with an amendment striking out section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following new section: — "SECTION 1. The first sentence of subdivision (b) of section five of chapter two hundred and sixty-nine of the General Acts of nineteen hundred and sixteen is hereby amended by inserting after the word 'income', in the first line, the following: — 'of any inhabitant of the Commonwealth, and the excess over one thousand dollars of the income (1) of any person not having a parent wholly dependent upon such person for support, (2) of any married person not living with husband or wife, (3) of any widow or widower not having a child under the age of eighteen', — so as to read as follows: — '(b) The excess over two thousand dollars of the income of any inhabitant of the Commonwealth, and the excess over one thousand dollars of the income (1) of any person not having a parent wholly dependent upon such person for support, (2) of any married person not living with husband or wife, (3) of any widow or widower not having a child under the age of eighteen, as defined in section six, derived from professions, employments, trade or business shall be taxed at the rate of one and one-half per cent per annum.'";

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading, with the amendment pending.

Norton, —
highway.

The same Senator, for the same committee, reported that the House Bill to provide for the improvement and construction by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a certain highway in the town of Norton (House, No. 1925), ought to pass.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, and the bill was read a second time and was amended, on motion of the same Senator, as follows: —

By striking out, in line 2, the words "improve and"; by inserting after the word "construct", in the same line, the words "as a State highway"; by striking out, in line 7, the word

"eastern", and inserting in place thereof the word "Easton"; by striking out, in line 12, the words "the town of Norton and"; by striking out, in line 13, the word "each"; by striking out, in line 16, the word "one-third", and inserting in place thereof the words "thirty-five per cent"; and by striking out all after the word "cost", in line 16.

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Bill to establish the salaries of justices, clerks and assistant clerks of police, district and municipal courts (House, No. 1945, amended, — new draft of Senate Bill No. 607), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Police, district and municipal courts, — salaries.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate Bill to provide for the certification of public school-teachers (Senate, No. 591), had been referred, by the House, to the next General Court; and

Public school-teachers, — certification.

Also that the Senate Bill relative to the power of the Public Service Commission to suspend the taking effect of proposed changes in rates charged by common carriers (Senate, No. 641), had been rejected by the House.

Common carriers, — changes in rates.

The House petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1944) of David J. Maloney that members of the General Court be authorized to administer oaths in connection with applications for soldiers' bonuses (with reference to which the Senate previously had concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule), — came up, referred to the committee on Legal Affairs; and the Senate concurred in the reference.

Members of General Court, — administering of oaths; soldiers' bonuses.

Subsequently, Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, for the said committee, reported on the petition, a Bill relative to the taking of jurats in applications for soldiers' and sailors' bonuses (printed as House, No. 1944); and the bill was read. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Reed, and the bill was read a second time and a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Id.

Sent down for concurrence.

House petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows: —

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1948) of Albert P. Langtry relative to the engrossment of certain measures submitted to the people, to election warrants and copies furnished to election officers;

Measures submitted to the people; election warrants, etc.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1947) of Timothy W. Kelly and another that cities and towns be authorized to lease public buildings or parts thereof to posts of the American Legion;

Posts of the American Legion.

Under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, to the committee on Military Affairs.

Emergency Preambles Adopted.

Public officials,
— losses by
bomb
explosions.

An engrossed Bill to reimburse certain public officials because of injuries sustained as a result of the performance of public duty (see Senate, No. 639), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 35.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Curtin, John A.

Messrs. Perrin, Harold L.
Smith, Charles S. — 4.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

. Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Incomes, —
additional tax.

An engrossed Bill to impose an additional tax upon incomes of two thousand dollars from professions, employments, trade and business (see House, No. 1910, amended), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.

Messrs. Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.

Messrs. McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.

Messrs. Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 35.

YAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Curtin, John A.

Messrs. Perrin, Harold L.
Smith, Charles S. — 4.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

An engrossed Bill to prohibit the unauthorized possession of bombs and explosives (see House, No. 1926), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

Bombs and explosives, — unauthorized possession.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 35.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Curtin, John A.

Messrs. Perrin, Harold L.
Smith, Charles S. — 4.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first five of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

To regulate increases in the salaries of certain officers and employees of the Commonwealth;

Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

**Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.**

To provide further for the improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a State highway in the town of Dracut and city of Methuen;

Authorizing the construction by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a State highway within the limits of the city of Holyoke;

Relative to the assessment and collection of taxes in certain districts;

To provide for earlier collection of poll-taxes;

To provide for the improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of the highway leading from Milford to Southborough through Hopkinton;

To establish the salary of Adelbert M. Mossman as first clerk in the department of the Sergeant-at-Arms; and

Relative to attendance in court by attorneys who are members of the General Court.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

**Eastern
Massachusetts
Street Railway
Company.**

The Bill relative to the Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company (Senate, No. 562), — was considered; and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Beck.

**Boston, —
shelter for
inhabitants.**

The Senate Bill to authorize the city of Boston to provide shelter for its inhabitants (Senate, No. 619), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and was amended in section 4, on motion of the same Senator, by inserting before the word "dollars", in line 6, the words "five million".

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

**Industrial
Accident
Board, —
Director of
Public Safety.**

The Senate Bill establishing the position of director of public safety in the department of the Industrial Accident Board (Senate No. 530), — was read a third time, as previously amended.

Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out, in the title, the words "public safety in the department of the Industrial Accident Board", and inserting in place thereof the words "accident prevention in the department of the State Board of Labor and Industries"; and in section 1 by striking out, in lines 3, 7, and 10 and 11, respectively, the words "public safety", and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the words "accident prevention".

These amendments were adopted.

The bill, as amended (Senate, No. 658), was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill relative to the taxation of domestic business corporations (House, No. 1918), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. House bill.

The House Bill to impose special taxes to provide suitable recognition of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the Army and Navy of the United States during the war with Germany (House, No. 1933), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments previously adopted by the Senate, which were sent down for concurrence. Special taxes, — bonuses for soldiers and sailors.

The House Resolve providing for an investigation by a special commission of the question of the regulation of bill-boards and other advertising devices adjoining public highways (House, No. 1920, amended), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the resolve be amended by inserting after the word "Attorney-General", in line 1, the words "or an assistant Attorney-General designated by him". Bill-boards and other advertising devices.

This amendment was adopted.

The resolve was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Kearney, at four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

THURSDAY, July 17, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Communication from the Attorney-General.

The following communication was received from the Attorney-General, to wit: —

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,
BOSTON, July 16, 1919.

Hon. EDWIN T. McKNIGHT, *President of the Senate.*

Attorney-
General, —
opinion relative
to method of
fixing wages
of fishermen.

DEAR SIR: — I am in receipt of a copy of an order adopted by the Honorable Senate on the 9th inst., of the following tenor: —

“*Ordered*, That the Senate request the opinion of the Attorney-General on the following question of law: —

Would it be contrary to the laws of the United States or of this Commonwealth for a combination of fishermen to enter into an agreement with dealers purchasing their product fixing minimum prices for such product as a method of fixing the wages of such fishermen?”

The order does not state to whom the product upon which the price is to be fixed belongs, but apparently it is assumed to belong to the fishermen. Upon this assumption it is not possible for me to give an opinion, for the reason that the answer would depend upon facts which are not stated. For example, whether the purpose of the combination of fishermen and dealers is to advance the price of fish, or whether the combination would be of such size as to give substantial price-making power.

I apprehend, however, that the purpose of the Honorable Senate in passing the order was to obtain an opinion which would be applicable to the situation in the fish industry in this Commonwealth, and therefore submit the following answer.

It is my understanding that the fishermen employed on vessels landing fish at Boston and other points in this Commonwealth are in general paid an amount equal to a certain proportionate part of the proceeds of the cargo, the proportion varying from 7-1000, in the case of a fisherman on a steam trawler, to a much larger percentage in the case of fishermen employed on sailing vessels, the variation being due principally to the fact that the trawler fishermen receive a definite salary in addition to their share in the proceeds.

As a general rule, the fish caught does not belong to the fishermen. While the pay received by the fisherman depends, at least in part, upon the value of the cargo, he cannot be considered the owner of such cargo, but still remains an employee. *Baxter v. Rodman*, 3 Pick. 435. *Cambra v. Santos*, decided May 24, 1919.

In this situation it is difficult to see how the fishermen may, by arrangement with dealers to whom the fish may be sold, fix a minimum price thereon, when, as above pointed out, the fish is not owned by them.

It is too well recognized to require the citation of authorities that employees have a right, both under the laws of this Commonwealth and of the United States, to combine and contract with their employer as to what wages they shall receive.

This right on the part of the employees, however, does not include the right to dictate to their employer as to the manner and terms upon which the product of the employees' labor shall be sold, and a combination to effect this, in my judgment, would be an unlawful combination. While it is true that combinations of workmen by collectively bargaining as to the wages they shall receive necessarily affect the price of the product of their labor, this is an incident necessarily flowing from the exercise of this right. When, however, a combination of workmen, under the guise of collective bargaining as to wages, attempts to fix the price at which the product of their labor shall be sold by their employer, they exceed their lawful rights, and the combination becomes unlawful. And I think it is equally plain that it is unlawful for such a combination to enter into agreements with the purchasers of the product, by which it is agreed that the product shall be bought only on certain terms.

I do not mean to intimate that I am of the opinion that an agreement may not legally be effected between the fishermen and their employer by which the wages to be paid are fixed upon the basis that the fish caught is of a certain minimum value.

Assuming, therefore, that the facts are as I understand them, your question is to be answered in the affirmative.

Very truly yours,

HENRY C. ATTWILL,
Attorney-General.

The communication was read, was ordered to be printed (see Senate, No. 659), and was placed on file.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Smith, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill to establish the salaries of clerks and assistant clerks of courts (House, No. 1939, amended), ought to pass; Clerks of courts, — salaries.

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Walsh, for the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches with reference to the Senate Bill regulating the sale of alcohol (Senate, No. 626, amended), — recommending that the Senate recede from the following amendments, — Committee of conference, — sale of alcohol.

In section 1 (amended by the House by striking out, in line 7, the word "alcohol", and inserting in place thereof the words

"either of the said alcohols"), striking out from the foregoing amendment the word "either", and inserting in place thereof the word "any"; and with the following additional amendments: —

In section 1, inserting after the word "corporation", in line 1, the words "other than a registered druggist"; and

Striking out section 3, and inserting in place thereof the following: "SECTION 3. Every container of methyl alcohol or wood alcohol, so called, or denatured alcohol, shall be labelled in accordance with the provisions of section one of chapter five hundred and forty-one of the Acts of nineteen hundred and ten. The label shall also contain the number of the license as issued to the vendor by the board of health.";

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Reconsideration.

Special taxes,
— bonuses for
soldiers and
sailors.

On motion of Mr. Nichols, the Senate reconsidered the vote by which, at the preceding session, it had passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, the House Bill to impose special taxes to provide suitable recognition of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the Army and Navy of the United States during the war with Germany (House, No. 1933).

On further motion of the same Senator, the bill was further amended by adding at the end of section 4 the words "or who have died in the interval between the third day of May in the current year and the date of said passage."

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the several amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

State
departments;
consolidation,
— committee
of conference.

The House Bill to organize in departments the executive and administrative functions of the Commonwealth (House, No. 1900), — came up, with the endorsement that the House had concurred in the adoption of the several Senate amendments, with the exception of those in section 118, — inserting after the word "members", in line 3, the words "to be known as the Public Utilities Commission"; striking out, in line 15, the word "eight", and inserting in place thereof the word "nine"; and striking out, in line 16, the word "seven", and inserting in place thereof the word "eight", — in which amendments the House had non-concurred.

The bill also bore the endorsement that the House asked for a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches with reference thereto; and that Messrs. Whitman of Quincy, Martin Hays of Boston and Blague of Springfield had been appointed the committee on its part.

On motion of Mr. Hobbs, the Senate receded from the amendments in section 118; and the bill was sent down endorsed accordingly.

Emergency Preamble Adopted.

An engrossed Bill relative to the taking of jurats in applications for soldiers' and sailors' bonuses (see bill printed as House, No. 1944), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

Members of
General Court,
— administering
oaths to
soldiers'
bonuses.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curtin, John A.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 31.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.

Messrs. Eames, Edward B.
Kearney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
Smith, Charles S. — 8.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

To establish the salaries of the clerk and the assistant clerks of the municipal court of the city of Boston for civil business;

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To establish the salaries of the clerk and the assistant clerks of the municipal court of the city of Boston for criminal business;

To provide further for the construction of State highways by the Massachusetts Highway Commission; and

To establish the Purgatory Chasm State Reservation in the county of Worcester.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of Ella M. Herter (which originated in the House), — was passed and, with the above-named bills, was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Resolve
passed, etc.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The bills

Bills.

To establish the salaries of stenographers of the Superior Court (Senate, No. 657);

To apportion and assess a State tax of eleven million dollars (House, No. 1937); and

To apportion and assess the special State tax required by the act to impose special taxes to provide suitable recognition of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the army and navy of the United States during the war with Germany (House, No. 1942); and

Resolve.

The Resolve providing additional compensation for the pages of the Senate and House of Representatives (House, No. 1929);

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

**Norton, —
highway.**

The House Bill to provide for the improvement and construction by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a certain highway in the town of Norton (House, No. 1925), — was read a third time, as previously amended by the Senate.

Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out, in the title, the words "improvement and"; and by striking out the word "certain", and inserting in place thereof the word "State", so that the title will read as follows: "An Act to provide for the construction of a State highway in the town of Norton."

These amendments were adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the several amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

**Eastern
Massachusetts
Street Railway
Company.**

The Senate Bill relative to the Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company (Senate, No. 562), — was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Walsh moved that the bill be amended by adding the six sections contained in Senate document No. 54, with a change in section 1, inserting after the word "the", in line 10, the word "third"; and by inserting after the word "day", in the same line, the words "of June".

Without action on this amendment or on the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, —

At fifteen minutes before one o'clock P.M. (in accordance with the provision of the order previously adopted), the Senate adjourned, to meet at two o'clock P.M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill to establish the salaries of justices, clerks and assistant clerks of police, district and municipal courts (House, No. 1945, amended), ought to pass;

Police, district and municipal courts, — salaries.

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Churchill, for the same committee, that the re-committed House Bill to establish the salaries of registers and assistant registers of deeds and assistant recorders of the Land Court (House, No. 1903, amended), ought to pass with the following amendments: In section 1, by striking out, in lines 8, 9, 10 and 11, the words "in districts having less than one hundred and fifty thousand population a sum equal to fifteen per cent, and in districts of one hundred and fifty thousand population or more"; in section 4, as changed, by striking out the words "for the said counties and district shall be one thousand dollars each", and inserting in place thereof the words "for the counties of Dukes County and Nantucket shall each be one thousand dollars and for the southern district of Berkshire County twelve hundred dollars"; and by striking out section 5 (inserted by amendment by the House);

Registers of deeds and assistant recorders of the Land Court, — salaries.

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on ordering it to a third reading, with these amendments and those previously recommended by the same committee, pending.

By Mr. Perrin, for the committee on Street Railways, no further legislation necessary, on the message from His Excellency the Governor relative to the temporary public operation of street railway companies (Senate, No. 630);

Message from Governor, — temporary public operation of street railway companies.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.

Petitions.

Mr. Mahoney presented a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 660) of John J. Mahoney for an investigation relative to the laws affecting taxation in the city of Boston; and the petition was referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by the same Senator, to the committee on Cities.

Boston, — investigation of laws affecting taxation.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Halliwell presented a petition of Arthur N. Harriman that provision be made for relief from unjustifiable increases in the rentals of tenements and dwellings; and, under the 12th joint rule, the petition was referred to the next General Court.

Tenements and dwellings, — increase in rentals.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Fall River, —
Oak Tree
Burial Ground.

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to the House petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1871) of John A. Kerns that the city of Fall River be authorized to remove human remains from a portion of Oak Tree Burial Ground and to use the land for other purposes; and, accordingly, under the said rule, the petition was referred to the next General Court.

Land, —
partition of
interests.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate Bill relative to the partition of interests in land (Senate, No. 655), had been rejected by the House.

Emergency Preambles Adopted.

Commission
on Waterways
and Public
Lands, —
powers and
duties.

An engrossed Bill relative to the powers and duties of the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands (see House, No. 1916, amended), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 37.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. John J. Kearney,

Mr. David S. McIntosh. — 2.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Corporations,
— taxation.

An engrossed Bill relative to the taxation of domestic business corporations (see House, No. 1918), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as re-

quired by Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 36.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Gifford, Charles L.
Kearney, John J.

Mr. Malcolm E. Nichols. — 3.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first four of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

To reimburse certain public officials because of injuries sustained as a result of the performance of public duty;

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To authorize the city of Taunton to borrow money for the purpose of meeting a deficit in the electric light department;

Relative to the inspection of nursery stock;

Relative to the taking of jurats in applications for soldiers' and sailors' bonuses;

To prohibit the unauthorized possession of bombs and explosives;

Relative to the payment of dividends or interest on savings deposits;

To extend the powers of the commission of public works in the town of Marion;

To impose an additional tax upon incomes in excess of two thousand dollars from professions, employments, trade or business;

To authorize the cities of Malden, Medford and Everett to incur indebtedness in connection with the development of the Port of Boston; and

Bill enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To extend the time within which assessments may be made by the city of Attleboro upon the owners of estates benefited by the operation of a street railway.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Eastern
Massachusetts
Street Railway
Company.

The unfinished business of the morning session, *i. e.*, the Senate Bill relative to the Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company (Senate, No. 562), — was considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading.

There being no objection, Mr. Walsh withdrew the pending amendment previously moved by him.

The same Senator moved that the bill be amended in section 1, by inserting after the word "trustees", in line 13, the words "The basic fare for each fare district as established under the provisions of this act shall not exceed five cents."

Before the votes were taken Mr. Loring stated that, in accordance with the provisions of Senate Rule No. 10, he should refrain from voting on the bill.

The question on the amendment moved by Mr. Walsh was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 19.

NAYS.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Knox, Joseph O.
McIntosh, David S.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 17.

PAIRED.

YEA.

Mr. John J. Kearney,

NAY.

Mr. John A. Curtin (present). — 2.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. Augustus P. Loring. — 1.

So the amendment was adopted.

The question on ordering the bill, as amended, to a third reading, was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Churchill, George B.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Knox, Joseph O.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 26.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Chamberlain, George D.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Gifford, Charles L.

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
McIntosh, David S.
Nason, Arthur L.
Perrin, Harold L.
Reed, Silas D. — 11.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. John J. Kearney,

Mr. Augustus P. Loring. — 2.

So the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to provide for the distribution of a portion of the BILL income tax, and of the income of the Massachusetts School Fund, for the purpose of improving the public schools (Senate No. 558), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The House Bill relative to the taxation of incomes from professions, employments, trades and business (House, No. 1943), — Incomes, — taxation. was read a second time and, by a vote of 13 to 2, was amended as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, by striking out section 1, and inserting in place thereof the following new section: — "SECTION 1. The first sentence of subdivision (b) of section five of chapter two hundred and sixty-nine of the General Acts of nineteen hundred and sixteen is hereby amended by inserting after the word 'income', in the first line, the following: — 'of any inhabitant of the Commonwealth, and the excess over one thousand dollars of the income (1) of any person not having a parent wholly dependent upon such person for support, (2) of any married person not living with husband or wife, (3) of any widow or widower not having a child under the age of eighteen,' — so as to read as follows: — '(b). The excess over two thousand dollars of the income of any inhabitant of the Commonwealth, and the excess over one thousand dollars of the income (1) of any person not having a parent wholly dependent upon such person for support, (2) of any married person not living with husband or wife, (3) of any widow or widower not having a child under the age of eighteen, as defined in section six, derived from professions, employments, trade or

business shall be taxed at the rate of one and one half per cent per annum.'"

The question on ordering the bill, as amended, to a third reading was then determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Curtin, John A.
Gifford, Charles L.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Knox, Joseph O.

Messrs. Loring, Augustus P.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 15.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John

Messrs. Hardy, Leonard F.
Hastings, George A.
Jackson, George H.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 21.

PAIRED.

YEA.

Mr. Samuel B. Finkel (present),

NAY.

Mr. John J. Kearney. — 2.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. David S. McIntosh. — 1.

So the Senate refused to order the bill to a third reading.

Clerks of
courts.

The House Bill to establish the salaries of clerks and assistant clerks of courts (House, No. 1939, amended), — was read a second time and was amended in section 3, on motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, by adding at the end thereof the words "No discrimination shall be made against assistants appointed for one year."

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. McLane, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

Corporations,
— taxation.

The House Bill relative to the taxation of corporations (House, No. 1946), — was read a second time.

Mr. Curtin moved that the bill be amended by adding at the end of section 6 the following: — "From the net income allocated to Massachusetts as above, each domestic business corporation may deduct the same proportion thereof which the fair cash value of machinery owned by it and used in manufacturing in this Commonwealth bears to its total assets employed in the Commonwealth, and the amount remaining shall be its net in-

come subject to tax under section 2, paragraph (2)"; and by adding at the end of section 19 the following: — "From the net income allocated to Massachusetts as above, each foreign corporation may deduct the same proportion thereof which the fair cash value of machinery owned by it and used in manufacturing in this Commonwealth bears to its total assets employed in the Commonwealth, and the amount remaining shall be the net income subject to tax under section 15, paragraph (2)".

Mr. Loring moved that the bill be amended in section 7, by inserting after the word "such", in line 51, the word "reasonable"; and in section 22, by inserting after the word "such", in line 54, the word "reasonable".

Pending these amendments and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration of the bill was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Curtin.

The Senate Bill to establish the salaries of stenographers of the Superior Court (Senate, No. 657), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill to make certain corrections in the tax laws (House, No. 1764), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended by striking out section 19.

Tax laws, —
corrections.

This amendment was adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

The House bills

To apportion and assess a State tax of eleven million dollars (House, No. 1937); and

House bills.

To apportion and assess the special State tax required by the act to impose special taxes to provide suitable recognition of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the army and navy of the United States during the war with Germany (House, No. 1942); and

The House Resolve providing additional compensation for the pages of the Senate and House of Representatives (House, No. 1929);

House resolve.

Were severally read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Senate Report of the committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches with reference to the Senate Bill regulating the sale of alcohol (Senate, No. 626), — recommending that the Senate recede from its amendments, — was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Hastings.

Committee of
conference, —
sale of alcohol.

On motion of Mr. Brown, at three minutes before five o'clock p.m. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock a.m.

FRIDAY, July 18, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Petition.*Auburn Water
Company.

Mr. Prescott presented a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 662) of Francis Prescott and another for the incorporation of the Auburn Water Company; and the petition was referred, under a suspension of the 12th and 9th joint rules, moved by the same Senator, to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice had been given as the committee should direct.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Anthracite
coal, — quality.

A Bill to regulate the quality of anthracite coal sold for domestic purposes in this Commonwealth (House, No. 1866, — new draft, in part, of Senate Bill No. 651, amended), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the House) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

Relative to the powers and duties of the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands in respect to certain lands;

To make certain substantive corrections in existing laws; and

Relative to the taxation of domestic business corporations.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Registers of
deeds and
assistant re-
corders of the
Land Court, —
salaries.

The House Bill to establish the salaries of registers and assistant registers of deeds and assistant recorders of the Land Court (House, No. 1903, amended), — was considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading.

There being no objection, Mr. Gifford withdrew the pending amendments previously recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, — in section 1, striking out, in line 9 and in lines 10 and 11, respectively, the words "and fifty"; and striking out section 5 (inserted by amendment by the House).

The following pending amendments, recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, were severally adopted, to wit: —

In section 1, striking out, in lines 8, 9, 10 and 11, the words "in districts having less than one hundred and fifty thousand population a sum equal to fifteen per cent, and in districts of one hundred and fifty thousand population or more"; and in section 4, as changed, striking out the words "for the said counties and district shall be one thousand dollars each", and inserting in place thereof the words "for the counties of Dukes County and Nantucket shall each be one thousand dollars and for the southern district of Berkshire County twelve hundred dollars".

The pending amendment recommended by the committee on Ways and Means, — striking out section 5 (inserted by amendment by the House), — was considered.

Mr. Loring moved that the bill be amended by adding at the end of said section 5 the words "during office hours;" and this amendment was rejected.

The question on adopting the amendment recommended by the committee on Ways and Means was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Walter A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Smith, Charles S.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 11.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Hardy, Leonard F.

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Jackson, George H.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 26.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Mr. John J. Kearney,

Mr. David S. McIntosh. — 2.

So the amendment was rejected.

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

The House Bill relative to the taxation of corporations (House, Corporations, No. 1946), — was considered, the main question being on order- — taxation.
ing it to a third reading; but, without action thereon or on the

pending amendments previously moved by Messrs. Curtin and Loring, —

At fifteen minutes before one o'clock P.M. (in accordance with the provision of the order previously adopted), the Senate adjourned, to meet at two o'clock P.M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Reports of Committees.

Anthracite
coal, — quality.

By Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill to regulate the quality of anthracite coal sold for domestic purposes in this Commonwealth (House, No. 1866), ought NOT to pass;

Read, and the bill placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on rejecting it.

American
Legion, —
municipal
provision for
posts.

By Mr. Reed, for the committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of Timothy W. Kelly and another, a Bill to authorize cities and towns to lease certain buildings to posts of the American Legion (printed as House, No. 1947);

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Beck, —

Senate, —
adjournment
over July 19.

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at 2 o'clock P.M.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Bills

Superior Court,
— stenog-
raphers.

To establish the salaries of stenographers of the Superior Court (House, No. 1941, — new draft of Senate Bill No. 657); and

Middlesex
County reg-
ister of probate,
— salary of
clerk.

To establish the salary of the clerk in the office of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Middlesex (House, No. 1949, — on the petition of Arthur K. Reading, accompanied by bill, House, No. 978);

Were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Judges and
registers of
probate, —
salaries.

The Senate Bill to establish the salaries of judges, registers and assistant registers of probate in certain counties (Senate, No. 652, amended), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the following amendments:

In section 4, striking out, in line 6, the words “, except Middlesex”; and striking out all after the word “county”, in line 8;

In section 5, striking out, in line 2, the words “, except Middlesex”; and striking out all after the word “probate”, in line 4;

In section 6, striking out, in line 2, the words “, except Middlesex”; striking out, in line 3, the word “forty-five”, and inserting in place thereof the word “fifty”; and striking out all after the word “probate”, in line 4;

Striking out section 15 (inserted by amendment by the Senate); and

Inserting the following new section: “SECTION 15. The increases in salary provided for by this act shall not take effect until an appropriation therefor has been made, and then as of the first day of June, nineteen hundred and nineteen.”

Under the rule, the amendments were placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session, the question being on adopting them, in concurrence.

The House Bill to establish the salaries of clerks and assistant clerks of courts (House, No. 1939, amended), — came up, with the endorsement that the House had non-concurred in the adoption of the Senate amendment, — adding at the end of section 3 the words “No discrimination shall be made against assistants appointed for one year.” — and had asked for a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches with reference thereto; and that Messrs. Bagshaw of Fall River, Wadleigh of Merrimac and Ellis of Foxborough, had been appointed the committee on its part.

Clerks of courts, — committee of conference.

The Senate insisted on its amendment, on motion of Mr. Hardy ^{Id.} of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, and concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference. Messrs. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, Hastings and Walsh were joined; and the bill was sent down endorsed accordingly.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate Bill to provide for the inspection of fish offered for sale at wholesale (Senate, No. 454), had been referred, by the House, to the next General Court.

Fish, — inspection.

Also that the following Senate bills had severally been rejected by the House: —

Bill relative to the taxation of street railway companies (Senate, No. 642, amended); and

Street railway companies, — taxation.

Bill relative to the housing of the people in the city of Boston (Senate, No. 643, amended).

Boston, — housing of the people.

Emergency Preambles Adopted.

An engrossed Bill relative to the apportionment of county taxes (see Senate, No. 648), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

County taxes, — apportionment.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Chamberlain, George D.

Messrs. Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John

Messrs. Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hastings, George A.
Jackson, George H.
Loring, Augustus P.

Messrs. McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 27.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Kearney, John J.

Messrs. Knox, Joseph O.
Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 12.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

State and
county taxes.

An engrossed Bill to establish the basis of apportionment of State and county taxes (see House, No. 1917), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.

Messrs. Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 34.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.

Messrs. McIntosh, David S.
Nichols, Malcolm E. — 5.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Special taxes,
— bonuses for
soldiers and
sailors.

An engrossed Bill to impose special taxes to provide suitable recognition of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the

Army and Navy of the United States during the war with Germany (see House, No. 1933, amended), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.

Messrs. Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 34.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.

Messrs. McIntosh, David S.
Nichols, Malcolm E. — 5.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

An engrossed Bill to apportion and assess a State tax of eleven million dollars (see House, No. 1937), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.

Messrs. Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 32.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.

Messrs. McIntosh, David S.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Smith, Charles S.—7.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Bill Enacted and Resolve Passed.

Bill enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

An engrossed Bill relative to the taking and sale of certain seed and adult scallops (which originated in the Senate), — was passed to be enacted.

Resolve
passed, etc.

An engrossed Resolve providing for an investigation by a special commission of the question of the regulation of bill-boards and other advertising devices adjoining public highways (which originated in the House), — was passed and, with the above-named bill, was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Corporations,
— taxation.

The unfinished business of the morning session, *i.e.*, the House Bill relative to the taxation of corporations (House, No. 1946), — was considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading.

The Senate adopted the following pending amendments, previously moved by Mr. Curtin, — adding at the end of section 6 the following: — “From the net income allocated to Massachusetts as above, each domestic business corporation may deduct the same proportion thereof which the fair cash value of machinery owned by it and used in manufacturing in this Commonwealth bears to its total assets employed in the Commonwealth, and the amount remaining shall be its net income subject to tax under section 2, paragraph (2)”; and adding at the end of section 19 the following: — “From the net income allocated to Massachusetts as above, each foreign corporation may deduct the same proportion thereof which the fair cash value of machinery owned by it and used in manufacturing in this Commonwealth bears to its total assets employed in the Commonwealth, and the amount remaining shall be the net income subject to tax under section 15, paragraph (2).”

The Senate adopted the pending amendments previously moved by Mr. Loring, — in section 7, inserting after the word “such”, in line 51, the word “reasonable”; and in section 22, inserting after the word “such”, in line 54, the word “reasonable”.

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 21 to 7.

FRIDAY, JULY 18, 1919.

The Senate Report of the committee of conference on matters of difference between the two branches with reference to the Senate Bill regulating the sale of alcohol (Senate, 626), — recommending that the Senate recede from its amendments, — was considered; and it was rejected.

On motion of Mr. Walsh, the Senate asked for a new committee of conference. Messrs. Cavanagh, Hastings and V were appointed the committee on its part.

Sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill to establish the salaries of justices, clerks assistant clerks of police, district and municipal courts (House No. 1945), — was read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Mahoney, by a vote of 12 to 8, the bill amended by adding after section 6 the following new section: "SECTION 7. The annual salary of the justice of the municipal court of the Charlestown district shall be three thousand five hundred dollars."

On motion of Mr. Foley, the bill was further amended adding the following new section: "SECTION 8. The annual salary of the justice of the municipal court of the South Boston district shall be three thousand eight hundred dollars."

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to a third reading.

The Senate Bill to provide for the distribution of a portion of the income tax, and of the income of the Massachusetts School Fund, for the purpose of improving the public schools (Senate No. 558), — was read a third time.

Mr. Cronin moved that the bill be referred to the next General Court; and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Callahan, Edward
Cronin, John
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John

Messrs. Mahoney, John J.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 8.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Reed, Silas D. — 19.

PAIRED.

YEAS.

Mr. Thomas Weston, Jr.,
Mr. George E. Curran (present),
Mr. John J. Kearney,
Mr. James F. Cavanagh (present),

NAYS.

Mr. Francis Prescott (present).
Mr. Charles L. Gifford.
Mr. Edward N. Dahlborg (present).
Mr. Charles S. Smith. — 8.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Curtin, John A.

Messrs. McIntosh, David S.
Tarbell, Warren E. — 4.

So the Senate refused to refer the bill to the next General Court.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Message from Governor, — temporary public operation of street railway companies.

The Senate Report of the committee on Street Railways, no further legislation necessary, on the message from His Excellency the Governor relative to the temporary public operation of street railway companies (Senate, No. 630),—was considered; and, pending the question on accepting the report, the further consideration thereof was postponed, on motion of Mr. Walsh, until the next session, to be placed first in the Orders of the Day.

Registers of deeds and assistant recorders of the Land Court, — salaries.

The House Bill to establish the salaries of registers of deeds and assistant recorders of the land court and assistant registers of deeds (House, No. 1903, amended) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments previously adopted by the Senate, which were sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Beck, at twenty-one minutes past four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following Monday at two o'clock P.M.

MONDAY, July 21, 1919.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Smith, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the House Bill to establish the salary of the clerk in the office of the registrar of probate and insolvency for the county of Middlesex (House, No. 1949), ought to pass;

Middlesex
County reg-
istrar of probate
— salary of
clerk.

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

By Mr. Nason, for the committee on Water Supply, on the petition of Francis Prescott and another, a Bill to incorporate the Auburn Water Company (Senate, No. 662);

Auburn Water
Company.

Read, the rules suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill read a second time and a third time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. McLane, for the joint committee on Rules, reported that the Order providing for the appointment of a joint special committee on the consolidation and arrangement of the General Laws, ought to be adopted in a new draft as follows, to wit: —

Ordered, That a Joint Special Committee consisting of ten members of the Senate including the President, and twenty-one members of the House including the Speaker, be appointed, first, to examine the general revision of the statutes of the Commonwealth to be submitted by the commission appointed under chapter forty-three of the Resolves of nineteen hundred and sixteen to consolidate and arrange the laws of the Commonwealth, and secondly, to consolidate and arrange such parts of the general laws of the Commonwealth as shall not have been consolidated and arranged by the said commission at the time when the commission is required by law to report, namely, October fifteenth, in the current year. The said committee may hold its sessions in the Senate Chamber or other convenient room in the State House, may employ a competent person or persons to make an index of the statutes, and may also employ such assistants and require the services of such officers of the General Court and do such other acts and incur such expenses as may be necessary for the discharge of its duties under this order. The committee shall report in print to the next General Court on or before the second Saturday of the session. The members of the committee, for their services in examining the general revision of the statutes submitted as aforesaid, shall each receive seven hundred and fifty dollars as compensation,

Joint special
recess com-
mittee to con-
solidate and
arrange the
General Laws.

and mileage as at present allowed for a legislative session, but the members of the committee shall receive no compensation for such other services as they may perform in consolidating and arranging the General Laws as aforesaid. The Treasurer and Receiver-General is authorized to pay the said compensation and expenses, from time to time, as the presiding officers may direct.

The Clerk of the Senate, with whom the Commissioners to Consolidate the Laws are required under the provisions of chapter eleven of the Resolves of the current year to file their report on or before October 15 of the current year, is hereby directed on receipt of the same to transmit it to the Joint Special Committee.

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the order was considered forthwith.

On motion of Mr. Kearney, the further consideration of the order was postponed until the matters in the Orders of the Day should be disposed of.

Subsequently, the matters in the Orders of the Day having been disposed of, the order was again considered.

On motion of Mr. Beck, it was referred to the next General Court.

Petition.

Soldiers, sailors
and marines,
— protection
in receiving
bonuses.

Mr. Mahoney presented a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 663) of John J. Mahoney for the protection of soldiers, sailors and marines in receiving certain payments from the Commonwealth; and the petition was referred, under a suspension of the 12th joint rule, moved by Mr. Beck, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

Order.

Mr. McLane offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit:—

Joint special
recess com-
mittee, —
operation and
maintenance
of street rail-
ways; water
resources.

Ordered, That a special committee to consist of three members of the Senate, to be appointed by the President, and six members of the House of Representatives, to be appointed by the Speaker, shall sit during the recess of the General Court to study problems relating to the operation and maintenance of street railways within the Commonwealth and other questions bearing upon the street railway problem, and also to consider the relation of the water resources of the Commonwealth to the development of hydro-electric power for various purposes. The committee may hold public hearings in different parts of the State, employ experts, clerks and such other assistants as may be required, and may incur such expenses for the aforesaid purposes as the Governor and Council shall approve. The members of the committee shall receive no compensation for their services thereon, but shall be reimbursed for their actual necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties. The committee shall report to the next General Court not later than the third Wednesday in January with such recommendations for legislation as it may deem expedient.

Order Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Beck, —

Ordered, That the Senate committee on Rules is hereby authorized to employ such clerical assistance as it may deem advisable for the preparation of petitions, bills and resolves to be presented by the Senators-elect to the next General Court.

Senate, —
Committee
on Rules to
employ clerical
assistance for
preparation of
petitions, bills
and resolves.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

The Senate Bill to regulate the sale and cold storage of fresh food fish (Senate, No. 650) (its title having been changed in the House), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out section 1, and inserting in place thereof the following sections: —

Fresh fish, —
grading.

"SECTION 1. All fresh food fish shall be graded before it is offered for sale or placed in cold storage. There shall be three grades. The first grade shall include only such fish as are known in the trade as 'new fish', and fish of the first grade may be sold as 'number one fish', or 'shore fish', or under any other truthful designation. The second grade shall include all other fish which are in suitable condition to be offered for sale as fresh fish, and fish of the second grade may be sold as 'number two fish' or 'off shore fish'. The third grade shall include all fish which are suitable for splitting and salting, or otherwise preserving, but are not suitable for sale as fresh fish, and fish of the third grade shall be sold as 'number three fish'.

"SECTION 2. It shall be unlawful to sell or offer or expose for sale fish which have been graded as number two fish, unless at the time of such sale, or offering, or exposing for sale it shall be clearly stated or made to appear by suitable designation that they are number two or 'off shore' fish.

"SECTION 3. It shall be unlawful to sell or offer or expose for sale at retail, for food, number three fish, or to sell or offer or expose the same for food except for splitting and salting, or otherwise preserving.

"SECTION 4. It shall be unlawful to place in cold storage any fresh fish not previously graded as number one or number two fish. All food fish, unless deposited in bulk, shall, when deposited in cold storage, except in private freezing plants, be plainly marked with the date of receipt on the containers in which they are packed, and, if deposited in bulk, shall, at the time of removal from cold storage, be plainly marked with the month and year of receipt on the containers in which they are packed.

"SECTION 5. It shall be unlawful to sell or to offer or expose for sale fish which have been held in cold storage without notice to persons purchasing or intending to purchase the same that such fish have so been held, nor without the conspicuous display of a sign 'Cold Storage Fish'; and it shall be unlawful to represent or advertise or sell as fresh, fish which have been held in cold storage.

"SECTION 6. It shall be unlawful to sell or offer or expose for sale at retail cold storage fish more than forty-eight hours after their receipt by the retailer from cold storage, unless they are received by the retailer in the frozen state and sold frozen to the consumer, except that during the period from November first to March thirty-first in each year, halibut, salmon, swordfish, steak cod and pollock may be sold and offered or exposed for sale at retail during a period of one week after their receipt by the retailer from cold storage, provided that they remain in the frozen state until within forty-eight hours of the time of sale.

"SECTION 7. It shall be unlawful to alter, deface or remove any marking on cold storage fish which shows the date of their receipt in cold storage until after the fish are finally withdrawn for the purpose of immediate sale for consumption.

"SECTION 8. It shall be unlawful to transfer the ownership of fish in cold storage without previously making known to the purchaser of the same the date on which they were originally placed in cold storage.

"SECTION 9. It shall be unlawful to deposit, or cause to be deposited, in cold storage fish received from any other State or country which have previously been in cold storage in this Commonwealth, or which have been in cold storage in any other State or country, for a period exceeding six months, unless, at the time of deposit, such fish are plainly marked with the date of their original deposit in cold storage in this Commonwealth or in any other State or country.

"SECTION 10. So much of chapter six hundred and fifty-two of the Acts of nineteen hundred and twelve as is inconsistent herewith shall not apply to the provisions hereof."

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, and the amendment was considered forthwith and was adopted, in concurrence.

New committee
of conference,
— sale of
alcohol.

The Senate Report of the committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches with reference to the Senate Bill regulating the sale of alcohol (Senate, No. 626), — recommending that the Senate recede from its amendments, — came up, with the endorsement that the House had insisted on its non-concurrence in the adoption of the Senate amendments, and had concurred in the appointment of a new committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches; and that Messrs. Monk of Watertown, Brier of Boston and Fairbanks of Springfield, had been joined.

Commissioner
of State Aid
and Pensions,
— second
deputy.

A Report of the committee on Administration and Commissions, reference to the next General Court (under the provisions of the 10th joint rule), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1407) of John I. Fitzgerald for the appointment of a second deputy to the Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions, — was read and, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Hobbs, was considered forthwith and was accepted, in concurrence.

A Report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 638) of William J. Foley relative to the pensions to be paid to the dependents of certain police officers in the city of Boston, — was read and, under suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Jackson, was considered forthwith and accepted, in concurrence.

Boston, —
pensions for
dependents of
police officers.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate Bill to authorize the city of Boston to provide shelter for its inhabitants (Senate, No. 619, amended), had been rejected by the House.

Boston, —
shelter for
inhabitants.

Emergency Preambles Adopted.

An engrossed Bill to establish a Special Commission on the Necessaries of Life (see Senate, No. 651, amended), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

Special Com-
mission on the
Necessaries
of Life.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Perrin, Harold L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 34.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Curran, George E.
Eames, Edward B.

Messrs. McIntosh, David S.
Nichols, Malcolm E. — 5.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.
Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

An engrossed Bill to apportion and assess the special State tax required by the act to impose special taxes to provide suitable recognition of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the army and navy of the United States during the war with Germany (see House, No. 1942), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

Special State
tax of \$660,000.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
 Brown, Charles D.
 Callahan, Edward
 Chamberlain, George D.
 Colburn, Arthur W.
 Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
 Cronin, John
 Curtin, John A.
 Dahlborg, Edward N.
 Finkel, Samuel B.
 Foley, William J.
 Gifford, Charles L.
 Halliwell, John
 Hardy, Leonard F.
 Hardy, Walter A.
 Hastings, George A.
 Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Messrs. Jackson, George H.
 Kearney, John J.
 Knox, Joseph O.
 Loring, Augustus P.
 Mahoney, John J.
 McLane, Walter E.
 Nason, Arthur L.
 Perrin, Harold L.
 Prescott, Francis
 Reed, Silas D.
 Smith, Charles S.
 Sullivan, Peter F.
 Tarbell, Warren E.
 Walsh, John J.
 Weston, Thomas, Jr.
 Winchester, Charles A. — 33.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
 Churchill, George B.
 Curran, George E.

Messrs. Eames, Edward B.
 McIntosh, David S.
 Nichols, Malcolm E. — 6.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted, to wit: —

Bills enacted
 and laid before
 the Governor.

Relative to the apportionment of county taxes;

To establish the salaries of certain officers of the county of Suffolk;

To provide for the construction of a State highway in the town of Norton;

To apportion and assess a State tax of eleven million dollars;

To establish the basis of apportionment of State and county taxes; and

To impose special taxes to provide suitable recognition of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the army and navy of the United States during the war with Germany.

Resolve
 passed, etc.

An engrossed Resolve providing additional compensation for the pages of the Senate and House of Representatives (which originated in the House), — was passed and, with the above-named bills, was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Message from
 Governor, —
 temporary
 public opera-
 tion of street

The Senate Report of the committee on Street Railways, no further legislation necessary, on the message from His Excellency the Governor relative to the temporary public opera-

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tion of street railway companies (Senate, No. 630), — was considered, the question being on accepting it.

Mr. Walsh moved that the report be amended by substituting, in part, a "Bill to establish a five-cent street railway fare" (Senate, No. 661); and the question on this motion was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.

Messrs. Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Prescott, Francis
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 1

NAYS.

Messrs. Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Gifford, Charles L.

Messrs. Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Perrin, Harold L.
Reed, Silas D.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 1

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Eames, Edward B.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.

Mr. David S. McIntosh. — 3.

So the amendment was adopted; and, accordingly, the report was substituted; and it was read and, under the rule, placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for second reading.

Mr. Cavanagh moved that the report be amended by substituting, in part, a "Bill to provide for the appointment of a public manager for a street railway corporation" (Senate, No. 664).

Pending this amendment and pending the main question on accepting the remainder of the report, the further consideration of the latter was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Reed.

The Senate Bill to authorize cities and towns to lease certain buildings to posts of the American Legion (printed as House Bill No. 1947), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed for passage. Sent down for concurrence.

The House Bill to regulate the quality of anthracite coal sold for domestic purposes in this Commonwealth (House Bill No. 1866), — was rejected, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means.

Judges and
registers of
probate, —
salaries.

The Senate Bill to establish the salaries of judges, registers and assistant registers of probate in certain counties (Senate, No. 652, amended), — was considered, the question being on concurring in the adoption of the following House amendments:

In section 4, striking out, in line 6, the words “, except Middlesex”; and striking out all after the word “county”, in line 8;

In section 5, striking out, in line 2, the words “, except Middlesex”; and striking out all after the word “probate”, in line 4;

In section 6, striking out, in line 2, the words “, except Middlesex”; striking out, in line 3, the word “forty-five”, and inserting in place thereof the word “fifty”; and striking out all after the word “probate”, in line 4;

Striking out section 15 (inserted by amendment by the Senate); and

Inserting the following new section: “SECTION 15. The increases in salary provided for by this act shall not take effect until an appropriation therefor has been made, and then as of the first day of June, nineteen hundred and nineteen.”

The Senate concurred in the adoption of the amendments, by a vote of 20 to 7.

Police, district
and municipal
courts, —
salaries.

The House Bill to establish the salaries of justices, clerks and assistant clerks of police, district and municipal courts (House, No. 1945, amended), — was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the amendments previously adopted by the Senate, which were sent down for concurrence.

Corporations,
— taxation.

The House Bill relative to the taxation of corporations (House, No. 1946, — was read a third time, as previously amended by the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Curtin, the bill was further amended by adding at the end of section 6, as previously amended by the Senate, the words “All other domestic business corporations shall likewise be entitled to the same deduction.”; and also by adding at the end of section 19, as previously amended by the Senate, the words “All other foreign business corporations shall likewise be entitled to the same deduction.”

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the several amendments, which were sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hardy of Worcester, at twenty-five minutes before six o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

TUESDAY, JULY 22, 1919.

TUESDAY, July 22, 19

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Counihan, the House Report of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1039) of L. D. Fuller relative to primary elections in the city of Cambridge, — was taken from the table and considered, the question being on accepting it, in concurrence.

On motion of the same Senator, the report was amended striking out the words "petitioner have leave to withdraw" and inserting in place thereof the words "petition be referred to the next General Court".

The report was then accepted, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Churchill, the House Report of the joint committee on Ways and Means, no legislation necessary, on much of the recommendations of the Supervisor of Administration (House, No. 322) as relates to the amount of money allowed the Governor and Council for military and extraordinary expenses (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 323), — was taken from the table; and the report was accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Tarbell, the Senate Report of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, for the reason that the subject matter thereof has been covered in a bill previously reported on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 177) of Edward A. Lamb and others that certain towns be exempted from provisions of law establishing a minimum salary for public school teachers, — was taken from the table and considered, the question being on accepting it.

The same Senator moved that the report be amended by substituting a "Bill relative to the minimum salary for public school-teachers" (Senate, No. 177); and this amendment rejected, by a vote of 3 to 12.

The report was then accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Request that a Motion to Reconsider Might be Entertained.

After the matters in the Orders of the Day had been disposed of, Mr. Cavanagh asked unanimous consent that he might move that the Senate reconsider the vote by which at the preceding session, it had referred to the next General Court

the Senate Order providing for the appointment of a joint special committee on the revision, consolidation and arrangement of the statutes; but objection thereto was made.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Police, district and municipal courts, — salaries; committee of conference.

The House Bill to establish the salaries of justices, clerks and assistant clerks of police, district and municipal courts (House, No. 1945, amended), — came up, with the endorsement that the House had non-concurred in the adoption of the Senate amendments, — adding the following new sections: "SECTION 7. The annual salary of the justice of the municipal court of the Charlestown district shall be three thousand five hundred dollars. SECTION 8. The annual salary of the justice of the municipal court of the South Boston district shall be three thousand eight hundred dollars."

The bill bore the further endorsement that the House had asked for a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches with reference thereto; and that Messrs. Bagshaw of Fall River, Ellis of Foxborough and Wadleigh of Merri-mac had been appointed the committee on its part.

The Senate insisted on its amendment, on motion of Mr. Loring, and concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference. Messrs. Curtin, Loring and Foley were joined; and the bill was sent down endorsed accordingly.

Veto, — Bill relative to attendance in court by attorneys who are members of the General Court.

Notice was received from the House that the engrossed Bill relative to attendance in court by attorneys who are members of the General Court (see House, No. 1886, changed and amended), having been returned by His Excellency the Governor with his objections thereto in writing (see House, No. 1950), had failed to pass.

European corn borer.

The Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to a Bill relative to the suppression of the European corn borer and other insect pests and plant diseases (House, No. 1951, introduced on leave); and the bill was returned to the House for its action.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (all of which originated in the House) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Bills enacted and laid before the Governor.

To apportion and assess the special State tax required by the act to impose special taxes to provide suitable recognition of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the army and navy of the United States during the war with Germany;

To make certain corrections in the tax laws; and

To establish a Special Commission on the Necessaries of Life.

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Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Report of the committee on Street Railways further legislation necessary, on the message from His Excellency the Governor relative to the temporary public operation of street railway companies (Senate, No. 630), — was considered, the main question being on accepting it.

By a vote of 15 to 0, the Senate adopted the pending amendment, previously moved by Mr. Cavanagh, — that the report be amended, in part, by substituting a "Bill to provide for appointment of a public manager for a street railway corporation" (Senate, No. 664); and, accordingly, the bill was substituted; and it was read and, under the rule, was placed in Orders of the Day for the next session for a second reading.

The Senate Bill to establish a five-cent street railway (Senate, No. 661), — was read a second time.

Mr. Loring moved that the bill be amended by striking out after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following: "SECTION 1. The rate of fare on the Boston Elevated Railway to any transfer point or terminus within three miles of Park Street subway station shall not exceed five cents. SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage."

Mr. Kearney moved that the foregoing amendment be amended in section 1, by striking out the word "three", and inserting in place thereof the word "five".

Mr. Finkel rose to a point of order, which, being stated, was that the amendment moved by the Senator from Essex, Mr. Loring, was not in order and should not be entertained for the reason that its adoption would change a general bill into a special bill.

The President ruled that the point of order was well taken and the amendment moved by Mr. Loring was laid aside.

Mr. Prescott moved that the bill be referred to the next General Court; and this motion was negatived, by a vote of 9 to 1.

Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Smith.

The House Bill to establish the salary of the clerk in the office of the registrar of probate and insolvency for the county of Middlesex (House, No. 1949), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Beck, and the bill was read a third time and passed to engrossed, in concurrence, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read as follows: "An Act to establish the salary of the clerk in the office of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Middlesex."

On motion of Mr. Beck, at twenty-five minutes before 6 o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet at two o'clock P.M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Report of a Committee.

Committee of
conference, —
sale of alcohol.

Mr. Cavanagh, for the new committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches with reference to the Senate Bill regulating the sale of alcohol (Senate, No. 626, amended), reported, recommending that the House recede from its non-concurrence in the Senate amendment in section 1, (striking out at [B], from the amendment inserted by the House, the word "either", and inserting in place thereof the word "any"), and concur therein; that the House recede from its non-concurrence in the Senate amendment in section 1 (inserting after the word "corporation", at [C], the words "other than a registered druggist"), and concur therein; and that the Senate recede from its amendment, at [D], striking out section 3 and inserting in place thereof the following new section: "SECTION 3. Every container of methyl alcohol or wood alcohol, so called, or denatured alcohol, shall be labelled in accordance with the provisions of section 1 of chapter five hundred and forty-one of the Acts of nineteen hundred and ten. The label shall also contain the number of the license as issued to the vendor by the Board of Health,"; and

That the bill be further amended in section 3 by striking out, in line 3, as printed, the word "red", and inserting in place thereof the word "white"; and by striking out, in line 4, as printed, the word "black", and inserting in place thereof the word "red".

The report was read and, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator, was considered forthwith and was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill Ordered Reprinted.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain, —

Massachusetts
School Fund,
— distribution.

Voted, That Senate document No. 558, being a "Bill to provide for the distribution of a portion of the income tax, and of the income of the Massachusetts School Fund, for the purpose of improving the public schools", — be reprinted.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Registers of
deeds and
assistant re-
corders of the
Land Court,
— salaries;
committee of
conference.

The House Bill to establish the salaries of registers of deeds and assistant recorders of the Land Court and assistant registers of deeds (House, No. 1903, amended), — came up, with the endorsement that the House had non-concurred in the adoption of the following Senate amendments:

In section 1, striking out, in lines 8, 9, 10 and 11, the words "in districts having less than one hundred and fifty thousand population a sum equal to fifteen per cent, and in districts of

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one hundred and fifty thousand population or more"; and section 4, as changed, striking out the words "for the six counties and district shall be one thousand dollars each", and inserting in place thereof the words "for the counties of Dukes County and Nantucket shall each be one thousand dollars and for the southern district of Berkshire County twelve hundred dollars".

The Senate insisted on its amendments, on motion of Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, and asked for committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches with reference thereto. Messrs. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, Beck and McLane were appointed the committee on its part.

Sent down for concurrence.

A Report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches with reference to the House Bill to establish the salaries of clerks and assistant clerks of court (House, No. 1939, amended), — recommending that the Senate recede from its amendment, — adding at the end of section the words "No discrimination shall be made against assistants appointed for one year.", — was read and, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, was considered forthwith and was accepted, in concurrence.

Bill Enacted.

An engrossed Bill to organize in departments the executive and administrative functions of the Commonwealth (which originated in the House), — was passed to be enacted and was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Bill to establish a five-cent street railway fare (Senate, No. 661), — was considered, the question being on ordering it to a third reading.

Mr. Walsh moved that the bill be amended in section 3, by striking out, in lines 12 and 13, the words "at the rate of (—) per cent per annum", and inserting in place thereof the words "as hereinafter provided"; and by adding at the end of said section the words: "In the case of the Boston Elevated Railway the dividend rate shall be as now provided by law in chapter one hundred and fifty-nine of the Special Acts of nineteen hundred and eighteen, and in case of other street railways the dividend on common stock shall be at the rate of four per cent per annum unless a higher rate is earned."

Mr. Cavanagh moved that the bill be amended as follows: By striking out sections 1 and 2 and inserting in place thereof the following new sections: "SECTION 1. The Public Service Commission, after a hearing on its own motion or upon complaint that the rates of fares fixed by the trustees of the Boston Elevated Railway Company under the provisions of chapter on

hundred and fifty-nine of the Special Acts of nineteen hundred and eighteen are excessive, unreasonable or discriminatory or that such rates and fares are so high as to work injury to any community, shall determine the just and reasonable rates and fares for the service performed and shall fix the same by order to be served upon such trustees. The basic fare for each fare district established under the provisions of this act shall not exceed five cents. Upon receipt of such order the rates and fares fixed therein shall be effective as of the date fixed in such order.

"SECTION 2. The said trustees shall divide the lines of the Boston Elevated Railway Company into fare districts. The Public Service Commission, after a hearing on its own motion or upon complaint, may review the action of the said trustees in dividing said lines into fare districts and may make an order revising the number of such districts and the extent of any such district. Such order shall be effective when served on the trustees in accordance with the terms thereof."

By inserting after section 3 the following new section: "SECTION 4. Section two of chapter one hundred and fifty-nine of the Special Acts of nineteen hundred and eighteen is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 20, 21, 22 and 23, the words 'and in these respects their authority shall be exclusive and shall not be subject to the approval, control or direction of any other State board or commission'; and

By striking out section 4 and inserting in place thereof the following new section: "SECTION (—). This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the company on or before the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and nineteen, given by vote of the stockholders at a meeting held for the purpose, a copy of which vote shall be filed with the Secretary of the Commonwealth."

Pending these amendments and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Beck.

Street railway
companies, —
public
manager.

The Senate Bill to provide for the appointment of a public manager for a street railway corporation (Senate, No. 664), — was read a second time.

Mr. Prescott moved that the bill be referred to the next General Court.

Mr. Loring moved that the bill be amended by inserting after section 6 the following new sections: —

"SECTION 7. Upon the recommendation, addressed to the Governor and Council, of the public manager, approved by a majority of the advisory board of a street railway company under the charge of a public manager, the Treasurer and Receiver-General, when so directed by the Governor and Council, shall issue bonds or notes of the Commonwealth for such amounts and for such terms and bearing such rates of interest as the Governor and Council shall determine, and the proceeds thereof shall be paid into the treasury of the company and used

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for such purposes in relation to the rehabilitation or operation of the company as the Governor and Council may determine.

"SECTION 8. All amounts borrowed under the provisions of the preceding section and all interest and cost in connection therewith shall, upon the maturity of the securities issued thereunder, be assessed upon the several cities and towns served by the company in such manner as the Public Service Commission may, after hearing, determine."

Mr. Kearney moved that the pending amendment moved by Mr. Loring be amended by inserting after section 7 the following: "SECTION 8. Any amount expended by the Commonwealth for the rehabilitation and operation of such railway company as accepts this act shall be considered as a first lien upon the property of such railway company, and such amount shall be returned to the Commonwealth, to be returned to the cities and towns making disbursements under this act."

Pending these amendments, Mr. Hardy of Worcester moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until the next session; and this motion was negatived, by a vote of 6 to 13.

The amendment moved by Mr. Kearney was adopted.

The amendment moved by Mr. Loring, as thus amended, was adopted.

Under the rule, the bill, as amended, was referred to the committee on Ways and Means, the motion of Mr. Prescott, — that the bill be referred to the next General Court, — pending.

The Senate Bill relative to the Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company (Senate, No. 562), — was read a third time. Mr. Finkel, for the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section 4 by striking out, in lines 34, 35 and 36, the words "and he shall repay any sums so borrowed as soon after said assessments as paid as is expedient", and inserting in place thereof the following: — "Securities issued under this section shall bear such rate of interest as the Treasurer and Receiver-General, with the approval of the Governor and Council may fix, and shall be for such terms as the Governor may recommend to the General Court, in accordance with the provisions of section 3 of Article LXII of the amendments to the Constitution."

This amendment was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Beck, the bill was amended by adding at the end of section 7 the words "and upon its further acceptance by a vote of a majority of the voters of all the cities and towns in which said company operates, voting thereon at the State election for the current year."

Mr. Kearney moved that the bill be amended by inserting before the last section the following new section: "SECTION — The Public Service Commission shall procure and print as a public document the amount of stock, common and preferred, now owned and the list of owners as of July first, nineteen hundred and eighteen, to date of the Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company. The Commission shall also make an appraisal

of the property of the Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company, and after such appraisal such rate of interest as provided in section four and section fourteen of chapter one hundred and eighty-eight of the Acts of nineteen hundred and eighteen shall be paid upon the value of stock as determined by said appraisal."

This amendment was rejected, by a vote of 11 to 11.

Mr. Jackson moved that the bill be amended in section 4, by inserting after the word "service", in line 11, the words "less any dividends on the common stock"; and this amendment was rejected, by a vote of 9 to 11.

On motion of Mr. Walsh, the bill was further amended by adding at the end of section 5 the words "Any amount paid by the Commonwealth to any company under the provisions of this act shall be considered as a first lien upon the property of such railway company, and such amount shall be repaid by said company to the Commonwealth and returned to the several cities and towns assessed therefor."

Pending the question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, it was recommitted to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, on motion of Mr. Beck.

On motion of Mr. Counihan, at twenty-eight minutes past four o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

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Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Churchill, for the committee on Ways and Means that the House Bill to establish the salaries of stenographers of the Superior Court (House, No. 1941), ought to pass;

Placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session for second reading.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

A Report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches with reference to the House Bill to establish the salaries of justices, clerks and assistant clerks of police, district and municipal courts (House, No. 1945, amended — that they were unable to agree, — was read and, under suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Beck, was considered forthwith and was accepted, in concurrence.

The report bore the endorsement that the House had asked for a new committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches, and that Messrs. Ellis of Foxborough, Bellow of Clarksburg and Wadleigh of Merrimac had been appointed to the new committee on its part.

The Senate concurred in the appointment of a new committee of conference. Messrs. Beck, Loring and Mahoney were joined and the bill was sent down endorsed accordingly.

A message from His Excellency the Governor recommending the appointment of a special commission to consider the entire problem of transportation by street railways and to report to the next special session of the General Court in November (House, No. 1953), — was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Street Railways.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate Bill establishing the position of director of accident prevention in the department of the State Board of Labor and Industries (Senate No. 658), had been rejected by the House.

The Senate non-concurred in the suspension of the 12th joint rule with reference to a petition (accompanied by bill, House No. 1952) of James G. Moran relative to the resumption of transportation by the Board of Trustees of the Boston Elevated Railway Company and the giving of preference in employment to citizens and to soldiers and sailors who served in the war with Germany; and, accordingly, under the said rule, the petition was referred to the next General Court.

Emergency Preamble Adopted.

American
Legion, — lease
of municipal
buildings.

An engrossed Bill to authorize cities and towns to lease certain buildings to posts of the American Legion (see House, No. 1947), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John

Messrs. Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 34.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
Nichols, Malcolm E.

Messrs. Perrin, Harold L.
Smith, Charles S. — 5.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first two of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To incorporate the Auburn Water Company;
To regulate the sale and cold storage of fresh food fish; and
To establish the salary of the clerk in the office of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Middlesex.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Eastern
Massachusetts
Street Railway
Company.

The Senate Bill relative to the Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company (Senate, No. 562) (having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, to which it had

been recommitted), — was considered, as previously amended, the question being on passing it to be engrossed.

Mr. Finkel, for the said committee, reported, recommending that the bill be further amended as follows:

By striking out in the first line of the amendment to section one the word "basic"; and

By adding at the end of section 7, as amended, the following: —
 "The commission shall furnish to the Secretary of the Commonwealth a list of said cities and towns, and the Secretary shall place upon the ballot to be used therein at the said election the following question: —

"Shall an act passed by the General Court in the year 1919 providing for a five-cent fare within certain fare districts to be established on the Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company, and the assessment of a resulting deficiency in any fare district upon the cities and towns therein, be accepted?"

These amendments were adopted.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, as amended, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Beck.

The Senate Bill to establish a five-cent street railway fare (Senate, No. 661), — was considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading. Street railway companies, — five-cent fare.

Mr. Kearney moved that the bill be amended by inserting after section 3 the following new section: —

"SECTION 4: Any amount assessed upon cities and towns under the preceding section for the rehabilitation and operation of the Boston Elevated Railway Company under chapter one hundred and fifty-nine of the Special Acts of nineteen hundred and eighteen, shall be a first lien upon the property of the company, and the amount so assessed shall be repaid to such cities and towns at such times and in the manner prescribed by the Public Service Commission."

Pending this amendment and the amendments previously moved by Messrs. Walsh and Cavanagh, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Walsh.

On motion of Mr. Tarbell, at eighteen minutes past twelve o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet at two o'clock P.M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, for the committee on Street Railways, on the message from the Governor relative thereto (House, No. 1953), a Bill to provide for an in- Street railway problems, — special commission.

vestigation by a special commission of problems relating to the street railways of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 666);

Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

European corn borer and other insect pests and plant diseases, — suppression.

A Bill relative to the suppression of the European corn borer and other insect pests and plant diseases (House, No. 1951, introduced on leave), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Subsequently, Mr. Churchill, for the said committee, reported that the bill ought to pass; and it was read a second time and a third time, under a suspension of the rules, moved by the same Senator, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Registers of deeds and assistant recorders of the Land Court, — salaries; committee of conference.

The House Bill to establish the salaries of registers of deeds and assistant recorders of the Land Court and assistant registers of deeds (House, No. 1903, amended), — came up, with the endorsement that the House had insisted on its non-concurrence in the adoption of the Senate amendments and had concurred in the appointment of a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches; and that Messrs. Cooke of Worcester, Wadleigh of Merrimac and Ellis of Foxborough had been appointed the committee on its part.

Id.

Subsequently, Mr. Hardy of Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden, for the said committee of conference, reported, recommending that, instead of the amendments in sections 1 and 4 (at [A] and [B], respectively), as adopted by the Senate, the following amendments be adopted: — In section 1, by striking out, in lines 8 and 9 (as printed), the words "less than one hundred and fifty thousand population", and inserting in place thereof the words "a population of seventy-five thousand or less"; and by striking out, in lines 10 and 11 (as printed and changed), the words "of one hundred and fifty thousand population or more", and inserting in place thereof the words "having a population of more than seventy-five thousand"; and also by striking out section 4 and inserting in place thereof the following: "SECTION 4. The annual salaries of the registers of deeds for the counties of Dukes County and Nantucket shall be nine hundred dollars each, and the annual salary of the register of deeds for the southern district of Berkshire County shall be one thousand dollars."

The report was read and, under a suspension of the rule, moved by the same Senator, was considered forthwith and was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Committee of conference, — police, district and municipal courts, — salaries.

A Report of the new committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches with reference to the House Bill to establish the salaries of justices, clerks and assistant clerks of police, district and municipal courts (House, No. 1945, amended), — recommending that the Senate recede from its amendments (adding the following new sections: "SECTION 7. The annual salary of the justice of the municipal court of the

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Charlestown district shall be three thousand five hundred dollars. SECTION 8. The annual salary of the justice of the municipal court of the South Boston district shall be three thousand five hundred dollars."'), — was read and, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Reed, was considered forthwith and accepted, in concurrence.

The following House order was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on Rules, to wit: —

Ordered, That, in the opinion of the General Court, the Board of Trustees of the Boston Elevated Railway Company shall employ only citizens of the United States, preferably soldiers or sailors who served in the late war and who are residents of Massachusetts.

Bill Enacted.

An engrossed Bill to authorize cities and towns to lease certain buildings to posts of the American Legion (which originated in the Senate), — was passed to be enacted and was signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

The Senate Bill relative to the Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company (Senate, No. 562), — was considered, as previously amended; and, pending the question on passing the bill, it was engrossed, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Walsh.

The Senate Bill to establish a five-cent street railway fare (Senate, No. 661), — was considered, as previously amended; and, pending the amendments previously moved by Messrs. Walsh, Cavanagh and Kearney, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the further consideration thereof was postponed until the next session, on motion of Mr. Walsh.

The House Bill to establish the salaries of stenographers of the Superior Court (House, No. 1941), — was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Kearney, and the bill was read a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Curran, at twenty-four minutes before six o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned, to meet on the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.

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Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report of a Committee.

Street railway
problems, —
special
commission.

Mr. Gifford, for the committee on Ways and Means, reported that the Senate Bill to provide for an investigation by a special commission of problems relating to the street railways of the Commonwealth (Senate, No. 666), ought to pass.

The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Cavanagh, and the bill was read a second time and a third time.

Mr. Beck moved that the bill be amended in section 1, by inserting after the word "transportation", in lines 20 and 21, the words ", and whether and to what extent public ownership is the proper solution of the street railway problem."

Mr. Kearney moved that the bill be amended by inserting after section 1 the following new section: "SECTION 2. The commission shall make an appraisal of the stock, both common and preferred, of the Boston Elevated Railway Company and the Bay State Street Railway Company, and shall determine the amount of its value."

Mr. Kearney also moved that the bill be amended in section 1, by inserting after the word "persons", in line 5, the words "one of whom shall be a representative of labor,".

The amendment moved by Mr. Beck was adopted, by a vote of 14 to 5.

The question on adopting the first amendment moved by Mr. Kearney was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Callahan, Edward
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Curran, George E.
Foley, William J.

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Winchester, Charles A. — 7.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Knox, Joseph O.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 21.

YEAS.

Mr. John Cronin (present),
Mr. John J. Walsh (present),
Mr. Samuel B. Finkel (present),

PAIRED.

NAYS.

Mr. Warren E. Tarbell.
Mr. Augustus P. Loring.
Mr. Malcolm E. Nichols. — 6.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Curtin, John A.
Gifford, Charles L.
Mahoney, John J.

Messrs. McIntosh, David S.
Perrin, Harold L. — 5.

So the first amendment was rejected.

The question on adopting the second amendment moved by Mr. Kearney was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Callahan, Edward
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Curran, George E.
Foley, William J.

Messrs. Kearney, John J.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Walsh, John J.
Winchester, Charles A. — 8.

NAYS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.

Messrs. Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Knox, Joseph O.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Weston, Thomas, Jr. — 22.

PAIRED.

YEA.

Mr. John Cronin (present),

NAY.

Mr. Warren E. Tarbell. — 2.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Curtin, John A.
Gifford, Charles L.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.

Messrs. McIntosh, David S.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L. — 7.

So the second amendment was rejected.

The question on passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, was determined as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Cronin, John

Messrs. Curran, George E.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.

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On motion of Mr. Cavanagh, the order was amended by striking out the words "the Board of Trustees of the Boston Elevated Railway Company", and inserting in place thereof the words "public service corporations."

The order was then adopted, in concurrence, with the amendment, which was sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Beck, at two minutes before one o'clock P.M. (the provisions of the order directing the President to declare an adjournment at a quarter before one o'clock P.M. having been suspended for the day, on motion of Mr. Hobbs) the Senate adjourned, to meet at two o'clock P.M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Mortimer Butler of Wakefield, formerly a member of Company D, 101st Regiment, United States Army, who was wounded in action in France, was introduced by the President, and briefly addressed the Senate.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Churchill, for the committee on Ways and Means, that the Senate Bill to provide for the appointment of a public manager for a street railway corporation (Senate, No. 664), ought to be referred to the next General Court;

Read, and the bill considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rules, moved by the same Senator, and referred to the next General Court, as had been recommended by the committee on Ways and Means.

Order Adopted.

Mr. McLane offered the following order; and, under the joint rule, it was referred to the joint committee on Rules, to wit:

Ordered, That a special committee to consist of four members of the Senate, to be appointed by the President, and seven members of the House of Representatives, to be appointed by the Speaker, shall sit during the recess of the General Court to consider the relation of the water resources of the Commonwealth to the development of hydro-electric power, both for power and lighting purposes. The committee shall give particular attention to the question of production, conservation, utilization and economic distribution of hydro-electric power developed from the water resources of the Commonwealth. The committee may hold public hearings in different parts of the State, may summon witnesses, administer oaths and require the production of papers in its investigations. The committee may also employ experts, clerks and such other assistants as may be required and may incur such expenses for the aforesaid purposes as the Governor and Council shall approve. The members of the committee shall receive no compensation for their service.

thereon, but shall be reimbursed for their actual necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties. The committee shall have a room in the State House and shall report to the next General Court not later than the third Wednesday in January with such recommendations for legislation as it may deem expedient.

Subsequently, Mr. Beck, for the joint committee on Rules, reported that the order ought to be adopted; and it was considered forthwith, under a suspension of the rule further moved by Mr. Beck, and adopted.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Measures
submitted to
the people;
election
warrants, etc.

A Bill relative to the engrossment of certain measures submitted to the people, to election warrants and copies furnished to election officers (House, No. 1948, on the petition of Albert P. Langtry), — was read. The rules were suspended, on motion of Mr. Loring, and the bill was read a second time and a third time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Income tax
and Massachusetts
School
Fund, —
distribution.

The Senate Bill to provide for the distribution of a portion of the income tax, and of the income of the Massachusetts School Fund, for the purpose of improving the public schools (Senate, No. 558), — came up, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with the following amendments:

Striking out section 3, and inserting in place thereof the following: "SECTION 3. For each person employed for full-time service for the entire school year as teacher, supervisor, principal, assistant superintendent, or superintendent of schools, the city or town shall be reimbursed as follows: —

(1) Two hundred dollars for every such person who has received a salary not less than eight hundred and fifty dollars and who is a graduate of an approved normal school or college and has had at least two years' teaching experience or who possesses preparation and teaching experience accepted in lieu thereof.

(2) One hundred and fifty dollars for every such person, not included in the foregoing classification, who has received as salary not less than seven hundred and fifty dollars and (a) who has satisfactorily completed one year of professional training in an approved normal school or teachers' training school, and has had at least three years of teaching experience; or (b) is a graduate of an approved normal school or college, and has had at least one year of teaching experience; or (c) who possesses preparation and teaching experience accepted in lieu of either of the foregoing requirements in this paragraph.

(3) One hundred dollars for every such person, not included in either paragraphs (1) or (2), who has received as salary not less than six hundred and fifty dollars."; and

Adding at the end of the bill the following new section: "SECTION 17. The superintendent of schools of the city of Boston shall, on or before the first day of August in each year, notify the assessors of the city of Boston of the amount of reimbursement

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which the city is to receive under this act. The said assessor determining the rate of taxation to be levied upon taxable property for the year, shall include in the estimated receipts law applicable to the payment of expenditures the aforesaid amount of reimbursement."

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Churchill, and amendments were considered forthwith, and were adopted concurrence.

The Senate Bill to provide for an investigation by a special commission of problems relating to the street railways of Commonwealth (Senate, No. 666), — came up, passed to be grossed, in concurrence, with an amendment in section 1, stricken out, in line 5, the word "four", and inserting in place thereof word "five".

The rule was suspended, on motion of Mr. Cavanagh, and amendment was considered forthwith and was adopted, in concurrence.

Emergency Preamble Adopted.

An engrossed Bill regulating the sale of alcohol (see Senate No. 626, amended), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Cronin, John
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.
Hastings, George A.

Messrs. Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Knox, Joseph O.
Loring, Augustus P.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Smith, Charles S.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 2

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Cavanagh, James F.
Colburn, Arthur W.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Gifford, Charles L.

Messrs. Mahoney, John J.
McIntosh, David S.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Tarbell, Warren E. — 11.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first three of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To establish the salaries of clerks and assistant clerks of courts;

To establish the salaries of judges, registers and assistant registers of probate in certain counties;

To establish the salaries of stenographers of the Superior Court;

Relative to the taxation of corporations; and

Relative to the suppression of the European corn-borer and other insect pests and plant diseases.

Recess.

On motion of Mr. Beck, at five minutes before five o'clock P.M. a recess was taken until seven o'clock P.M., at which hour the Senate reassembled.

Taken from the Table.

Party
designations, —
abolition.

On motion of Mr. Cavanagh, the Senate Report of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 178) of James F. Cavanagh for the abolition of party nominations for State and county officers and the use of all party or political designations in the election of such officers, — was taken from the table and considered, the question being on accepting it.

Mr. Cavanagh moved that the report be amended by substituting a "Bill abolishing party nominations and designations in the choice of all State and county officers" (Senate, No. 178); and this amendment was rejected, by a vote of 1 to 16.

The report was then accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

Supplementary
appropriation
bill.

A Bill in further addition to the General Appropriation Act making appropriations to supplement certain items contained therein, and for certain new activities and projects (House, No. 1955, — based, in part, on the petition of George C. F. Hudson and another, accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 74), — was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Subsequently, Mr. Gifford, for the said committee, reported that the bill ought to pass; and it was read a second time and a third time, under a suspension of the rules, moved by the same Senator, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Joint special
committee on
Taxation, —
report.

A Report of the committee on Taxation, no further legislation necessary, on the report of the joint special recess committee on Taxation (Senate, No. 313), — was read and, under suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Beck, was considered forthwith and was accepted, in concurrence.

A statement from the Board of Trustees of the Boston Elevated Railway Company (in response to an order jointly adopted) relative to the financial condition of said company at the time said board assumed control and on January 1, 1919, including a physical valuation report, — was read and placed on file.

Boston Elevated Railway Company, — report of trustees.

Notice was received from the House that the Senate Bill relative to the salaries of the second assistant clerks of police, district and municipal courts (Senate, No. 206, changed), had been rejected by the House; and

Police, district and municipal courts, — salaries of second assistant clerks.

Also that the Senate order providing for the appointment of a joint special committee to sit during the recess of the General Court to consider the relation of the water resources of the Commonwealth to the development of hydro-electric power, had been referred, by the House, to the next General Court.

Joint special recess committee, — investigation of water resources.

Engrossed Bill Amended.

An engrossed Bill to establish the salaries of justices, clerks and assistant clerks of police, district and municipal courts (see House, No. 1945, amended), — come up, amended in section 1, by inserting after the word "over", in the last line, the words "fifty-six hundred dollars, and"; and by adding at the end thereof the words "in excess of two hundred and twenty-eight thousand."

Committee of conference, — police, district and municipal courts, — salaries.

Senate Rules Nos. 36 and 49 were suspended, on motions of Mr. Loring, and the amendments were considered forthwith and were adopted, in concurrence.

Emergency Preamble Adopted.

An engrossed Bill to provide for an investigation by a special commission of problems relating to the street railways of the Commonwealth (see Senate, No. 666, amended), — was laid before the Senate; and the question on adopting the preamble, in concurrence, was determined by a call of the yeas and nays, as required by Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution, as follows, to wit: —

Street railway problems, — special commission.

YEAS.

Messrs. Beck, John E.
Brown, Charles D.
Callahan, Edward
Cavanagh, James F.
Chamberlain, George D.
Churchill, George B.
Counihan, Edward A., Jr.
Cronin, John
Eames, Edward B.
Finkel, Samuel B.
Foley, William J.
Gifford, Charles L.
Halliwell, John
Hardy, Leonard F.
Hardy, Walter A.

Messrs. Hastings, George A.
Hobbs, Clarence W., Jr.
Jackson, George H.
Kearney, John J.
Loring, Augustus P.
Mahoney, John J.
McLane, Walter E.
Nason, Arthur L.
Prescott, Francis
Reed, Silas D.
Sullivan, Peter F.
Tarbell, Warren E.
Walsh, John J.
Weston, Thomas, Jr.
Winchester, Charles A. — 30.

NAYS. — 0.

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING.

Messrs. Colburn, Arthur W.
Curran, George E.
Curtin, John A.
Dahlborg, Edward N.
Knox, Joseph O.

Messrs. McIntosh, David S.
Nichols, Malcolm E.
Perrin, Harold L.
Smith, Charles S. — 9.

So the preamble was adopted, in concurrence.

Signed by the President and sent down for enactment.

Bills Enacted.

The following engrossed bills (the first five of which originated in the Senate) were severally passed to be enacted and were signed by the President and laid before the Governor for his approbation, to wit: —

Bills enacted
and laid before
the Governor.

To establish the salaries of justices, clerks and assistant clerks of police, district and municipal courts;

To provide for the distribution of a portion of the income tax, and of the income of the Massachusetts School Fund, for the purpose of improving the public schools;

Regulating the sale of alcohol;

To provide for an investigation by a special commission of problems relating to the street railways of the Commonwealth;

To establish the salaries of registers of deeds and assistant recorders of the Land Court, and assistant registers of deeds;

Relative to the engrossment of certain measures submitted to the people, to election warrants and copies furnished to election officers; and

In further addition to the General Appropriation Act making appropriations to supplement certain items contained therein, and for certain new activities and projects.

Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day were taken up.

Eastern
Massachusetts
Street Railway
Company.

The Senate Bill relative to the Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company (Senate, No. 562), — was considered, as previously amended, the question being on passing it to be engrossed. On motion of Mr. Cavanagh, the bill was referred to the next General Court.

Street railway
companies, —
five-cent fares.

The Senate Bill to establish a five-cent street railway fare (Senate, No. 661), — was considered, the main question being on ordering it to a third reading, the amendments moved by Messrs. Walsh, Cavanagh and Kearney, pending.

Mr. Walsh moved that the bill be referred to the next General Court. Under a suspension of Senate Rule No. 46, moved by the same Senator, this motion was considered forthwith; and the question thereon was determined as follows, to wit: —





DEPARTMENT.

Loc.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	First Year in Present Office.
ton, .	July 4, 1872	Plymouth, Vt., .	Lawyer, . .	1919
. .	Feb. 28, 1879	Manchester, N. H.	Lawyer, . .	1919
. .	Dec. 28, 1881	North Easton, .	Manufacturer, .	1919
. . .	Jan. 6, 1869	Needham, . .	Merchant, . .	1919
. .	Aug. 29, 1874	Boston, . .	- -	1918
3, .	April 20, 1869	Boston, . .	Banker, . .	1918
. .	May 24, 1876	Peabody, . .	Manufacturer, .	1919
. .	May 4, 1872	New Brunswick,	Manufacturer, .	1917
. .	Mar. 10, 1847	Kidderminster, Eng.	Manufacturer, .	1918
d, .	Jan. 6, 1866	Athens, Vt., .	Lunch Rooms Proprietor.	1919

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

SENATE.

HON. EDWIN T. MCKNIGHT, PRESIDENT.

District.	NAME.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Place of Birth.	Occupation.	YEARS IN LEGISLATURE.	
						House.	Senate.
Berkshire, Hampshire and Hampden.	George A. Hastings.	North Adams.	Jan. 12, 1858	Richmond.	Pharmacist.	None.	1917, '18, '19.
First Bristol.	Leonard F. Hardy.	Huntington.	Oct. 24, 1874	Weedsport, N. Y..	Lawyer.	1910, '11, '12, '13.	1918, '19.
Second Bristol.	Silas D. Reed.	Taunton.	June 25, 1872	Taunton.	Lawyer.	1897, '98, '99, 1900, '01, '02.	1905, '06, '18.
Third Bristol.	Walter F. McLane.	Fall River.	Dec. 30, 1863	Taunton.	Cotton broker.	None.	1912, '13, '14, '15, '16, '17, '18, '19.
Cape and Plymouth.	John Halliwell.	New Bedford.	Feb. 21, 1864	Mosley, Lancashire, Eng.	Mule spinner.	1914, '15, '16, '17.	1918, '19.
First Essex.	Charles L. Gifford.	Barnstable (Cotuit).	Mar. 15, 1871	Barnstable (Cotuit).	Real estate, hotel business.	1912, '13.	1914, '15, '16, '17, '18, '19.
Second Essex.	George H. Jackson.	Lynn.	Mar. 9, 1865	Lowell.	Printer.	1902, '03, '04, '05, '06.	1915, '16, '17, '18, '19.
Third Essex.	Augustus P. Loring.	Beverly.	Dec. 7, 1857	Boston.	Lawyer.	None.	1919.
Fourth Essex.	Charles D. Brown.	Gloucester.	June 5, 1862	Newburyport.	Bookseller and stationer.	1886, '86, '87.	1916, '17, '18, '19.
Fifth Essex.	Arthur L. Mason.	Haverhill.	Oct. 24, 1872	Haverhill.	Shoe manufacturer.	1903, '07, '08, '09, '17, '18.	1910, '11, '12, '13.
First Franklin and Hampshire.	Edward Callahan.	Lawrence.	Mar. 14, 1874	Ireland.	Travelling salesman.	1904, '05, '06.	1919.
Second Hampshire.	George B. Churchhill.	Amherst.	Oct. 24, 1866	Worcester.	College professor.	None.	1917, '18, '19.
First Middlesex.	George D. Chamberlain.	Springfield.	Sept. 28, 1853	Troy, N. Y..	Accountant.	1912, '14, '15, '16.	1917, '18, '19.
Second Middlesex.	John Cronin.	Holyoke.	Dec. 19, 1874	Holyoke.	Plumber.	1917, '18.	1919.
Third Middlesex.	Thomas Weston, Jr..	West Newton.	Aug. 12, 1875	Newton.	Lawyer.	1916, '16, '17, '18.	1919.

OFFICERS OF THE SENATE.

NAME OF OFFICER.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	First Year in Office.
Henry D. Coolidge, <i>Clerk</i> ,	Concord,	Aug. 26, 1858	Chelsea,	1889
William H. Sanger, <i>Assistant Clerk</i> ,	Boston,	March 12, 1862	Louisville, Ky.,	1889
Thomas F. Pedrick, <i>Sergeant-at-Arms</i> ,	Lynn,	Feb. 20, 1846	Marblehead,	1910
Rev. Edward A. Horton, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	Boston,	Sept. 28, 1843	Springfield,	1904

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

HON. JOSEPH E. WARNER, TAUNTON, SPEAKER.

Districts.	REPRESENTATIVES.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	When in House.
BARNSTABLE COUNTY.						
No. 1,	Edward C. Hinckley,	Barnstable, . .	July 9, 1866	Hyannisport, . .	Dentist,	1919.
2,	Erastus T. Beare,	Chatham, . . .	July 30, 1860	Chatham, . . .	Real estate and insurance, .	1919.
3,	Jerome S. Smith,	Provincetown, .	Nov. 19, 1850	Provincetown, . .	Retired,	1912, '13, '14, '15, '16, '17, '18, '19.
BERKSHIRE COUNTY.						
No. 1,	Alton L. Bellows,	Clarksburg, . .	Oct. 6, 1868	Washington, D. C., .	Contractor and builder, .	1918, '19.
2,	William H. Woodhead,	North Adams,	Sept. 17, 1860	Schenectady, N. Y., .	Lawyer,	1904, '5, '6, '16, '19.
3,	Cornelius Boothman,	Adams,	Mar. 13, 1855	Williamstown, . .	Lawyer,	1916, '17, '18, '19.
4,	Charles R. Foote,	Pittsfield, . .	July 9, 1865	Pittsfield, . . .	Contractor and builder, .	1909, '19.
	Morris A. Jones, .	Pittsfield, . .	Dec. 4, 1866	Fair Haven, Vt., .	Dry goods,	1919.
	John Glenn Orr,	Pittsfield, . .	Feb. 27, 1857	Yonkers, N. Y., .	- - - - -	1917, '18, '19.
5,	Walter L. Tower,	Dalton,	Dec. 26, 1868	Dalton,	Civil engineer,	1919.
6,	Orlando C. Bidwell,	Great Barrington, .	Mar. 17, 1863	Montevy,	Lawyer,	1919.

 Disasters.

 BRISTOL COUN

No. 1.	William Plattner,	North Attleborough,	June 14, 1883	Bluffton, Ohio,	Consulting engineer,	1919.
2.	George M. Worrall,	Attleboro,	Dec. 11, 1889	Marshfield,	Real estate and insurance,	1913, '14, '15, '16, '17,
3.	James G. Moran,	Mansfield,	May 2, 1870	Mansfield,	Lawyer,	'18, '19, 1917, '18, '19.
4.	Matthew A. Higgins,	Taunton,	Jan. 15, 1880	Stoughton,	Grocer,	1914, '15, '16, '17, '18,
5.	Joseph E. Warner,	Taunton,	May 16, 1884	Taunton,	Lawyer,	1913, '14, '15, '16, '17,
6.	Benjamin O. Jones,	Berkley,	July 28, 1882	Brookton,	Lumber,	'18, '19, 1918, '19.
7.	David L. Kelley,	Fairhaven,	Apr. 26, 1889	Fairhaven,	Salesman,	1916, '17, '18, '19.
8.	Alfred M. Besette,	New Bedford,	Mar. 25, 1876	Fitchburg,	Pharmacist,	1917, '18, '19.
9.	D. Herbert Cook,	New Bedford,	June 2, 1881	New Bedford,	Mason contractor,	1913, '14, '15, '16, '19.
10.	William J. Bullock, ¹	New Bedford,	Jan. 31, 1884	Fall River,	Pharmacist,	1898, '99, 1900, '1, '2,
11.	Andrew P. Doyle, ²	New Bedford,	Aug. 15, 1869	Ireland,	Manager,	'3, '10, '18, '19, '10, '11,
	Edgar F. Howland,	New Bedford,	Dec. 5, 1872	New Bedford,	Real estate,	'12, '18, '18, '19.
	Joseph E. Freeling,	Fall River,	Mar. 19, 1871	Schenectady, N. Y.,	Stock broker,	1916, '17, '18, '19.
	Isaac U. Wood,	Fall River,	June 18, 1861	Fall River,	Druggist,	1916, '17, '18, '19.
	William S. Conroy,	Fall River,	Oct. 2, 1877	Hoosick Falls, N. Y.,	Loom fixer,	1917, '18, '19.
	Edward F. Harrington,	Fall River,	Aug. 10, 1878	Fall River,	Grocer,	1909, '10, '11, '12, '13, '14, '15, '16, '17, '18,
	James T. Bagshaw,	Fall River,	Jan. 31, 1869	Allendale, R. I.,	Secretary,	'19, 1914, '15, '16, '17, '18,
	Ernest A. Larocque,	Fall River,	July 31, 1872	St. Cessaire, P. Q.,	Tea and coffee salesman,	1916, '17, '18, '19.
	Frank Mulveny,	Fall River,	June 14, 1885	Fall River,	Lawyer,	1911, '12, '13, '14, '15, '16, '17, '18, '19.

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Dukes County.		Edgartown.	Dec. 25, 1860	Edgartown.	Fish dealer.	1900 '1, '2, '15, '16, '17, '18, '19.
No. 1.	Benjamin G. Collins.					
Essex County.						
No. 1.	Albert P. Wedleigh.	Merrimac.	Nov. 7, 1886	Merrimac.	Auditor and accountant.	1913, '19.
2.	Fred M. Knight.	Haverhill.	May 26, 1877	Atkinson, N. H.	Shoemaker.	1919.
3.	Essex S. Abbott.	Haverhill.	Mar. 11, 1870	Lynn.	Lawyer.	1912, '14, '15, '16, '17, '18, '19.
4.	Frank A. Oberd.	Haverhill.	Oct. 24, 1885	Haverhill.	Carpenter.	1919.
5.	George P. Webster.	Boxford.	Jan. 9, 1877	Boxford.	Farmer.	1912, '13, '14, '19.
	George Bunting.*	Methuen.	Aug. 31, 1868	Lawrence.	Wool sorter.	1907 '8, '15, '16, '17, '18, '19.
	William L. Stedman.	Methuen.	Jan. 13, 1852	Leicester.	Insurance.	1919.
6.	Michael H. Jordan.	Lawrence.	Feb. 7, 1862	Lawrence.	Wool sorter.	1916, '17, '18, '19.
7.	Alfred Bradbury.	Lawrence.	Sept. 10, 1851	Newport, R. I.	Retired.	1919.
8.	Michael A. Flanagan.	Lawrence.	Feb. 21, 1890	Lawrence.	Lawyer.	1917, '18, '19.
9.	James W. Robertson.	North Andover.	Apr. 25, 1880	England.	Shipper.	1919.
10.	Horace E. Durgin.	Wenham.	Dec. 4, 1863	Wenham.	Carriage-smith.	1909, '19.
11.	James E. McVann.	Peabody.	Dec. 24, 1891	Peabody.	Lawyer.	1919.
12.	Mial W. Chase.	Lynn.	Aug. 27, 1867	Lynn.	Treasurer, ice company.	1919.
	Charles Symonds.	Lynn.	Oct. 22, 1865	Marblehead.	Real estate.	1919.
13.	Ernest W. Allen.	Lynn.	July 19, 1886	Peabody.	Salesman.	1917, '18, '19.
	Thomas W. Baxter.	Lynn.	Aug. 9, 1867	Nottingham, Eng.	Woodworker.	1916, '17, '18, '19.
	Daniel J. Hayden.	Lynn.	Jan. 29, 1859	Lynn.	Automobile broker.	1919.

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Districts.	REPRESENTATIVES.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	When in House.
ESSEX COUNTY — Con.						
No. 14.	Joseph L. Barry,	Lynn,	Nov. 21, 1880	Lynn,	Lawyer,	1912, '14, '15, '17, '18, '19
	George H. Newhall, ¹	Lynn,	Oct. 24, 1850	Lynn,	Real estate and insurance,	1894, '5, 1906, '7, '8, '19
	James E. Odlin,	Lynn,	Apr. 10, 1857	Laconia, N. H.,	Lawyer,	1900, '1, '16, '17, '18, '19
15.	James D. Bentley,	Swampscott,	Feb. 6, 1884	New Brunswick,	Merchant,	1916, '17, '18, '19
16.	John N. Osborne,	Marblehead,	Jan. 28, 1853	Marblehead,	Shoe manufacturer,	1914, '15, '16, '17, '18, '19
17.	Chauncey Pepin,	Salem,	Mar. 5, 1869	Quidneck, R. I.,	Watchmaker, musician,	1912, '13, '14, '15, '16, '17, '18, '19
18.	George J. Bates,	Salem,	Feb. 25, 1891	Salem,	Iron moulder,	1918, '19
19.	James A. Torrey,	Beverly,	Sept. 27, 1868	Nova Scotia,	General blacksmith,	1919
20.	Joseph E. Herrick,	Beverly,	Feb. 8, 1874	Beverly,	Agent,	1919
21.	John Thomas,	Gloucester,	Jan. 27, 1859	Quincy,	Entertainer,	1919
22.	Carlton W. Wason,	Gloucester,	Mar. 27, 1888	Gloucester,	Lawyer,	1918, '19
23.	Cornelius F. Haley,	Rowley,	July 15, 1875	Newburyport,	Shipper,	1919
24.	Carl C. Emery,	Newburyport,	Nov. 4, 1888	Haverhill,	Grocer,	1915, '16, '17, '18, '19
FRANKLIN COUNTY.						
No. 1.	Albert C. Bray,	Buckland,	Oct. 21, 1866	Buckland,	Town clerk and treasurer,	1917, '18, '19
2.	Frederick E. Pierce,	Greenfield,	May 5, 1862	Glenwood, Iowa,	Broker,	1916, '17, '18, '19
3.	Fred C. Hagle,	Montague,	Aug. 12, 1878	Montague,	Express agent,	1919
4.	Everett W. Coleman,	Orange,	Aug. 12, 1883	Omahee, N. H.,	Mechanical inspector,	1919

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HAMPDEN COUNTY.

No. 1.	John O. Hamilton,	Palmer,	June 6, 1863	Palmer,	Farmer,	1918, '19.
2.	Charles L. Cooley,	East Longmeadow,	Aug. 23, 1871	Springfield,	Retired,	1918, '19.
3.	Clarence H. Granger,	Agawan,	Oct. 23, 1871	Agawan,	Farmer,	1917, '18, '19.
4.	William J. Granfield,	Springfield,	Dec. 18, 1889	Springfield,	Lawyer,	1917, '18, '19.
5.	John Mitchell,	Springfield,	Sept. 4, 1877	Springfield,	Flour and grain,	1912, '13, '14, '15, '16, '17, '18, '19.
6.	Chauncey A. Bennett,	Springfield,	June 23, 1880	Springfield,	Insurance,	1917, '18, '19.
7.	Giles Blagus,	Springfield,	Nov. 2, 1876	Saybrook, Conn.,	Insurance,	1918, '19.
8.	Alfred C. Fairbanks,	Springfield,	Feb. 13, 1881	Meriden, Conn.,	Lawyer,	1919.
9.	Arthur E. Marsh,	Springfield,	Nov. 10, 1885	Springfield,	Real estate,	1916, '17, '18, '19.
10.	Blou T. Wheeler,	Springfield,	July 25, 1890	St. Louis, Mo.,	Real estate,	1918, '19.
11.	John D. O'Connor,	Chicopee,	May 7, 1886	Chicopee,	Lawyer,	1918, '19.
12.	John J. Murphy,	Holyoke,	Mar. 26, 1889	Holyoke,	Newspaperman,	1915, '16, '17, '18, '19.
13.	Laurence F. Dowd,	Holyoke,	Aug. 25, 1876	Holyoke,	Clerk,	1919.
14.	Harry R. Sackett,	Holyoke,	June 25, 1871	Springfield,	Physician and surgeon,	1919.
15.	Dexter A. Snow,	Westfield,	Jan. 3, 1890	Medfield,	Manager cigar factory,	1918, '19.

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No. 1.	Alfred A. Grant,	Northampton,	Dec. 31, 1873	Nova Scotia,	Ice dealer,	1919.
2.	Frank E. Lyman,	Easthampton,	Sept. 15, 1866	Grafton, Vt.,	Farmer, milk dealer,	1915, '16, '17, '18, '19.
3.	David H. Keedy, ²	Amherst,	Feb. 9, 1878	Rohrenville, Md.,	Lawyer,	1919.
4.	Henry E. Paige, ³	Amherst,	Jan. 30, 1853	Prescott,	Veterinary surgeon,	1919.
5.	Roland D. Sawyer,	Ware,	Jan. 8, 1874	Kensington, N. H.,	Clergyman,	1914, '15, '16, '17, '18,

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Disruptors.	REPRESENTATIVES.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	When in House.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY.						
No. 1.	William R. McMenimen, .	Cambridge, .	Mar. 31, 1891	Somerville, .	Rigger,	1918, '19.
2.	Frederick F. Clause, .	Cambridge, .	July 28, 1879	Watertown, .	Real estate and insurance, .	1916, '16, '17, '18, '19.
	Clarence P. Kidder, .	Cambridge, .	June 18, 1876	Cambridge, .	Manufactures,	1919.
3.	Julius Meyers,	Cambridge, .	Dec. 6, 1883	Posen, Germany, .	Insurance,	1908, '7, '8, '9, '10, '17, '18, '19.
	Arthur E. Beane,	Cambridge, .	Oct. 1, 1881	Cambridge, .	Lawyer,	1919.
	John A. Kelleher,	Cambridge, .	Mar. 14, 1886	Cambridge, .	Lawyer,	1919.
4.	Arthur K. Reading, . . .	Cambridge, .	Mar. 9, 1887	Williamsport, Pa., .	Lawyer,	1919.
	Bernard Early,	Newton, .	Sept. 5, 1886	Newton,	Manager paper mills, . . .	1919.
	Ieland Powers,	Newton, .	July 1, 1890	Newton,	Lawyer,	1918, '19.
5.	Abbott B. Rice,	Newton, .	Apr. 17, 1883	Hopkinton,	Merchant, manufacturer, .	1919.
	John M. Gibbs,	Waltham, .	July 12, 1874	St. John, N. B., .	Lawyer,	1915, '16, '17, '18, '19.
	John R. Hudson,	Waltham, .	Aug. 26, 1872	Newton,	Pharmacist,	1917, '18, '19.
6.	William J. Naphen, . . .	Natick,	Dec. 6, 1879	Natick,	Lawyer,	1912, '12, '14, '19.
7.	Bernard F. Merriam, . .	Framingham, .	Oct. 18, 1857	Southbridge,	Treasurer, woolen company, .	1917, '18, '19.
8.	Leon W. Davis,	Ashland,	Nov. 23, 1869	Boston,	Order department, loom works,	1919.
9.	John H. Baker,	Marlborough,	Nov. 18, 1875	Marlborough,	Grocery clerk,	1918, '19.
10.	Frederick P. Glasier, . .	Hudson,	Sept. 27, 1869	Waltham,	Physician,	1919.
11.	James H. Wilkins,	Carlisle,	Sept. 26, 1873	Boston,	Mason,	1919.
12.	Frank A. Torrey,	Groton,	Dec. 21, 1874	Woburn,	Lawyer,	1906, '8, '18, '19.
13.	Benjamin Loring Young, .	Weston,	Nov. 7, 1885	Weston,	Lawyer,	1916, '17, '18, '19.

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14.	Owen E. Brennan.	Lowell.	Sept. 26, 1868	Lawrence, .	Dealer.	1919.
	Frank McMahon,	Lowell.	Aug. 29, 1872	Litchfield, Me.,	Clerk.	1919.
15.	Henry Achin, Jr.,	Lowell.	June 30, 1883	Lowell,	Fire insurance,	1912, '13, '14, '15, '16,
	Victor Francis Jewett,	Lowell.	Nov. 26, 1881	Tyngsborough,	Vinegar manufacturer,	'17, '18, '19.
	Frank H. Putnam,	Lowell.	Aug. 30, 1880	Lowell,	Wholesale produce,	1912, '13, '14, '15, '16,
16.	Thomas J. Corbett,	Lowell.	May 10, 1883	England,	Express agent,	'17, '18, '19.
17.	Maurice A. Buck,	Billerica,	June 6, 1874	Wilmington,	Physician,	1917, '18, '19.
18.	Frederick J. Brown,	Woburn,	Sept. 1, 1865	Woburn,	Treasurer of corporation,	1919.
	Arthur N. Newhall,	Stoneham,	Sept. 26, 1873	Appleton, Me.,	Shoe stock manufacturer,	1915, '16, '17, '18, '19.
19.	Eden K. Bowser,	Wakefield,	June 26, 1874	Sackville, N. B.,	Lawyer,	1912, '13, '14, '15, '16,
20.	Howard F. Furness,	Everett,	May 24, 1889	Everett,	Real estate,	'18, '19.
	Fred P. Greenwood,	Everett,	May 29, 1885	Alstead, N. H.,	Real estate,	1914, '15, '16, '17, '18,
21.	Alvin E. Bliss,	Malden,	Sept. 16, 1868	Brookline,	General superintendent,	'19.
	Lloyd Makepeace,	Malden,	Mar. 5, 1876	Birmingham, Eng.,	Lawyer,	1911, '12, '13, '14, '15,
	George Louis Richards,	Malden,	Dec. 14, 1868	Malden,	Manufacturer,	'16, '17, '18, '19.
22.	Harry C. Woodill,	Melrose,	June 16, 1872	Halifax, N. S.,	Salesman,	1910, '11, '12, '13, '15,
23.	Charles M. Austin,	Somerville,	May 2, 1884	Newport, Me.,	Master teamster,	'16, '17, '18, '19.
	William Fleming,	Somerville,	Oct. 19, 1869	Saugus,	Printer,	1916, '17, '18, '19.
	Charles L. Underhill,	Somerville,	July 20, 1867	Richmond, Va.,	Hardware,	1915, '16, '17, '18, '19.
24.	Warren C. Daggett,	Somerville,	May 10, 1868	Boston,	Journalist,	1917, '18, '19.
	William P. French,	Somerville,	Apr. 30, 1874	Sebec, Me.,	Lawyer,	1902, '3, '8, '9, '10,
	Arthur W. Robinson,	Somerville,	Aug. 11, 1882	Sandwich,	Insurance,	'11, '12, '13, '18, '19.
						1918, '19.

6.	Benjamin H. Woodlawn,	Weymouth,	Nov. 1, 1897	Weymouth,	Broker,	1917, '18, '19.
7.	Timothy F. Quinn,	Brantree,	Apr. 26, 1894	Brantree,	Lawyer,	1919.
		Sharon,	Dec. 27, 189	Boston,	Contracting stevedore,	1892, '98, 1916, '19.

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8.	Frank G. Allen, .	Norwood, .	Oct. 6, 1874	Lynn, .	Merchant, .	1918, '19.
9.	William W. Ollendorff, .	Medway, .	Apr. 17, 1878	Mora, N. M., .	Treasurer and manager, .	1918, '19.
10.	.	.	.	.	George R. Ellis, .	Foxborough, .	July 29, 1876	Boston, .	Lawyer, .	1919.
PLYMOUTH COUNTY.										
No. 1.	.	.	.	.	Elmer L. Briggs, .	Plymouth, .	Feb. 22, 1880	Plymouth, .	Lawyer, .	1917, '18, '19.
2.	.	.	.	.	Walter Haynes, .	Scituate, .	Dec. 21, 1876	Boston, .	Real estate, .	1917, '18, '19.
3.	.	.	.	.	George S. Marsh, .	Hingham, .	Feb. 18, 1888	Hingham, .	Salesman and assessor, .	1917, '18, '19.
4.	.	.	.	.	Elwin T. Wright, .	Rockland, .	Nov. 6, 1882	Plymouth, .	Shoe manufacturer, .	1919.
5.	.	.	.	.	Maurice F. Greaney, .	Whitman, .	Jan. 18, 1873	Weymouth, .	Merchant, .	1919.
6.	.	.	.	.	James F. Kiernan, .	Wareham, .	Feb. 1, 1884	Wareham, .	Lawyer, .	1917, '18, '19.
7.	.	.	.	.	Morrill S. Ryder, .	Middleborough, .	Oct. 25, 1867	Middleborough, .	Retired, .	1919.
8.	.	.	.	.	George M. Webber, .	East Bridgewater, .	Oct. 18, 1871	East Bridgewater, .	Merchant, .	1919.
9.	.	.	.	.	Emil K. Steele, .	Brockton, .	Apr. 29, 1872	Grenna, Sweden, .	Insurance, .	1919.
10.	.	.	.	.	William B. Baldwin, .	Brockton, .	Sept. 18, 1884	Fall River, .	Salesman, .	1916, '17, '18, '19.
	.	.	.	.	Herbert A. Bartlett, .	Brockton, .	Feb. 18, 1875	Boston, .	Dentist, .	1918, '19.
11.	.	.	.	.	Frank A. Manning, .	Brockton, .	June 25, 1889	Brockton, .	Shoe operator, .	1914, '15, '16, '17, '18, '19.
SUFFOLK COUNTY.										
No. 1.	.	.	.	.	Edward J. Cox, .	Boston, .	Aug. 21, 1882	Boston, .	Real estate and insurance, .	1917, '18, '19.
	.	.	.	.	Thomas A. Niland, .	Boston, .	June 11, 1873	Boston, .	Farmer, .	1914, '19.
2.	.	.	.	.	John B. Cashman, .	Boston, .	Nov. 14, 1887	Boston, .	Salesman, .	1918, '19.
	.	.	.	.	William H. Hearn, .	Boston, .	Oct. 6, 1895	Boston, .	Clerk, .	1918, '19.

6.	John I. Fitzgerald, ² Edward A. Scigliano, Thomas F. Donovan, James W. Hayes, Patrick J. Melody, Seth F. Arnold, Davis B. Keniston, Joseph W. Wharton, Fitz-Henry Smith, Jr., Wellington Wells, William P. Hickey, ⁴ William J. Manning, Robert E. Bigney, William H. McDonnell,	Boston, Boston, Boston, Boston, Boston, Boston, Boston, Boston, Boston, Boston, Boston, Boston, Boston, Boston, Boston,	July 18, 1882 Nov. 8, 1879 Sept. 26, 1890 Mar. 28, 1884 — Dec. 21, 1878 Sept. 14, 1880 Mar. 30, 1872 Nov. 20, 1873 Apr. 18, 1868 Nov. 7, 1871 Mar. 19, 1883 Apr. 21, 1882 Apr. 9, 1885	Boston, Boston, Boston, Boston, Ireland, Westminster, Vt., Crompton, N. H., Colechester, Conn., Boston, Arlington, Boston, Boston, Boston, Boston,	Real estate, Insurance, Life insurance, Clerk, Bowling alley, Physician, Lawyer, Clerk, Lawyer, Lawyer, Real estate, Teamster, Lawyer, Lawyer,	1916, '19. 1918, '19. 1916, '17, '18, '19. 1916, '17, '18, '19. 1919. 1 1910, '18, '19. 1919. 1917, '18, '19. 1914, '15, '16, '17, '18, '19. 1909, '10, '11, '12, '19. 1917, '18, '19. 1919. 1918, '19.
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				Michael J. Reidy,	Boston.	.	Aug. 8, 1870	Boston,	Telegrapher,	.	.	1894, 1907, '9, '11, '12,
12.	.	.	.	Daniel J. Gillen,	Boston.	.	Oct. 12, 1886	Boston,	Clerk,	.	.	1918, '19.
				Thomas M. Joyce, ^a	Boston.	.	Dec. 8, 1880	Boston,	Clerk,	.	.	1916, '17, '18, '19.
13.	.	.	.	Joseph B. Aigen,	Boston.	.	Mar. 22, 1884	Boston,	Manager,	.	.	1919.
				Timothy J. Driscoll,	Boston.	.	Apr. 6, 1893	Boston,	Machinist,	.	.	1918, '19.
14.	.	.	.	James J. Kelley,	Boston.	.	Sept. 7, 1874	Boston,	Teamster,	.	.	1919.
				Dennis F. Reardon,	Boston.	.	July 18, 1888	Boston,	Real estate and insurance,	.	.	1915, '17, '18, '19.
15.	.	.	.	John P. Englert,	Boston.	.	Jan. 30, 1893	Boston,	Shoemaker,	.	.	1916, '17, '18, '19.
				James J. Mulvey,	Boston.	.	Apr. 7, 1886	Brookline,	School janitor,	.	.	1919.
16.	.	.	.	Addison P. Beardsley,	Boston.	.	Feb. 8, 1874	Harborville, N. S.,	Dentist,	.	.	1915, '16, '17, '19.
				William I. Schell,	Boston.	.	May 26, 1886	Gononodes, Russia,	Lawyer,	.	.	1919.
17.	.	.	.	Frank H. Cowin,	Boston.	.	June 26, 1886	Boston,	Contractor,	.	.	1919.
				Daniel C. Murphy,	Boston.	.	Dec. 14, 1887	Boston,	Clerk,	.	.	1917, '18, '19.
18.	.	.	.	John J. Carey,	Boston.	.	Feb. 28, 1888	Boston,	Jobber, gas company,	.	.	1919.
				James J. Moynihan,	Boston.	.	Sept. 28, 1878	Marlborough,	Lawyer,	.	.	1918, '19.
19.	.	.	.	Frank L. Brier,	Boston.	.	Nov. 20, 1878	Boston,	Lawyer,	.	.	1919.
				Thomas Leavitt, ^a	Boston.	.	Aug. 28, 1872	Boston,	Editor and publisher,	.	.	1906, '17, '18, '19.
20.	.	.	.	Elihu D. Stone,	Boston.	.	July 18, 1887	Merets, Lithuania,	Lawyer,	.	.	1919.
				David J. Maloney,	Chelsea,	.	Dec. 24, 1874	North Adams,	Lawyer,	.	.	1917, '18, '19.
21.	.	.	.	Charles D. Bradbury,	Winthrop,	.	-	Buckfield, Me.,	Wholesale merchant,	.	.	1919.

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^a Senate, 1905, '6, '7.

^a Senate, 1917, '18.

^a Senate, 1913, '14.

^a Senate, 1912, '13.

^a Senate, 1907.

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7.	William L. Johnson,	Uxbridge,	Oct. 23, 1866	Southborough,	Physician,	1917, '18, '19.
8.	Samuel V. Craze,	Blackstone,	Oct. 4, 1868	Worcester,	Coal and wood,	1900, '8, '10, '19.
9.	Charles W. Gould,	Millford,	May 8, 1891	Millford,	Lawyer,	1918, '19.
10.	Jeremiah P. Keating,	Westborough,	Sept. 11, 1887	Hudson,	Contractor,	1919.
	George F. Butterick,	Sterling,	Aug. 16, 1888	Sterling,	Farmer,	1909, '19.
	George C. F. Hudson,	Clinton,	Dec. 12, 1884	Clinton,	Painting and papering,	1919.
11.	George L. Dawley,	Westminster,	Jan. 31, 1879	Westminster,	Crafter manufacturer,	1919.
	John C. Hull,	Leominster,	Nov. 1, 1870	Portland, Me.,	Lawyer,	1916, '17, '18, '19.
12.	Henry E. Cowdrey,	Fitchburg,	Nov. 12, 1889	Worcester,	Manufactures,	1917, '18, '19.
	Frederic C. Nichols,	Fitchburg,	Dec. 23, 1873	Fitchburg,	Treasurer, savings bank,	1918, '19.
13.	John G. Johnson,	Worcester,	May 23, 1864	Portsmouth, N. H.,	Real estate,	1916, '17, '18, '19.
14.	Albert T. Wall,	Worcester,	Sept. 2, 1881	Sweden,	Law student,	1918, '19.
15.	Michael F. Malone,	Worcester,	Nov. 26, 1879	Limerick, Ire.,	Salesman,	1915, '16, '17, '18, '19.
16.	Charles A. Kelley,	Worcester,	Mar. 24, 1890	Worcester,	Building contractor,	1917, '18, '19.
17.	Francis P. McKeon,	Worcester,	Oct. 9, 1884	Worcester,	Lawyer,	1918, '19.
18.	Christian Nelson,	Worcester,	Jan. 27, 1898	Denmark,	Grocer,	1918, '19.
19.	Herbert F. Winn,	Worcester,	July 3, 1876	Arlington,	Grain dealer,	1919.
20.	Walter L. Mellen,	Worcester,	Jan. 10, 1868	Worcester,	Contractor and builder,	1917, '18, '19.
21.	Henry E. Dean,	Worcester,	Sept. 29, 1862	Oakham,	Retired,	1907, '8, '9, '17, '18, '19.
22.	Harry A. Cooke,	Worcester,	Aug. 8, 1875	Alstead, N. H.,	Foreman,	1918, '19.

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OFFICERS OF THE HOUSE.

NAME AND OFFICE.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	First Year in Office.
James W. Kimball, <i>Clerk</i> ,	Swampscott,	Dec. 17, 1853	Lynn,	1897
Frank E. Bridgman, <i>Assistant Clerk</i> ,	Boston,	March 28, 1869	Springfield,	1897
Thomas F. Pedrick, <i>Sergeant-at-Arms</i> ,	Lynn,	Feb. 20, 1846	Marblehead,	1910
Rev. William F. Duseault, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	Lynn,	July 6, 1853	Boston,	1919

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Numbers enclosed in parentheses following each rule indicate the corresponding House rule.]

THE PRESIDENT.

1. The President shall take the chair at the hour to which the Senate stands adjourned, shall call the members to order, and, on the appearance of a quorum, shall proceed to business. (1.) [1831; 1888.]

2. The President shall preserve order and decorum, may speak to points of order in preference to other members, and shall decide all questions of order subject to an appeal to the Senate. He shall rise to put a question, or to address the Senate, but may read sitting. (2, 5.)

[1817; between 1821 and 1826; 1831; 1888.]

3. The President may vote on all questions. (4.) [1826.]

4. The President may appoint a member to perform the duties of the chair for a period not exceeding three days at any one time. (7.) [1831; 1862; 1865; 1888.]

5. In case of a vacancy in the office of President, or in case the President, or the member appointed by him to perform the duties of the chair, is absent at the hour to which the Senate stands adjourned, the eldest senior member present shall call the Senate to order, and shall preside until a President, or a President *pro tempore*, is elected by ballot, and such election shall be the first business in order. (8.) [1831; 1885; 1888.]

CLERK.

6. The Clerk shall keep a journal of the proceedings of the Senate, and shall cause the same to be printed daily. He shall, in the journal, make note of all questions of order, and enter at length the decisions thereon. He shall insert in an appendix to the journal the rules of the Senate and the joint rules of the two branches. (11, 12.) [1882; 1888.]

7. The Clerk shall prepare and cause to be printed each day a calendar of matters in order for consideration; a list of matters lying on the table; and such other memoranda as he may deem necessary, and as the Senate or the President may direct. (13.) [1882; 1888.]

8. The Clerk shall retain bills and other papers, in reference to which any member has a right to move a reconsideration (except petitions, bills and resolves introduced on leave, orders of inquiry, orders of notice, reports of committees asking to be discharged from the further consideration of a subject, and engrossed bills and resolves), until the right of reconsideration has expired. (15, 57.) [1855; 1856; 1875; 1882; 1885; 1888; 1891; 1919.]

9. When a bill or resolve coming from the other branch does not appear in print in the form in which it was passed in that branch, the Clerk shall either indicate the amendments on the Orders of the Day, or shall have the bill or resolve reprinted, at his discretion. [1882.]

MEMBERS OF THE SENATE.

10. No member shall be permitted to act on a committee or to vote upon a question in which his private right, distinct from the public interest, is immediately concerned. (24, 63.) [1855; 1888; 1889.]

11. No member shall absent himself from the Senate without leave, unless there is a quorum without his presence. (17.) [1817.]

COMMITTEES.

12. The following standing committees shall be appointed at the beginning of the political year, to wit:—

A committee on the Judiciary;

A committee on Ways and Means;

Each to consist of five members.

A committee on Bills in the Third Reading;

A committee on Engrossed Bills;

Each to consist of three members.

A committee on Rules;

To consist of the President and four members. (20.)

[1831; 1836; 1840; 1844; 1847; 1863; 1864; 1870; 1876; 1882; 1885; 1886; 1888; 1891; 1896; 1897.]

13. Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless the Senate shall otherwise specially order, and the member first named upon a committee shall be its chairman. In case of the election of a committee by ballot, the member having the highest number of votes shall act as chairman. (21, 22.)

[1817; between 1821 and 1826; 1831; 1888.]

13A. All motions or orders authorizing committees of the Senate to travel or to employ stenographers, all propositions involving special investigations by committees of the Senate and all motions or orders providing that information be transmitted to the Senate shall be referred without debate to the committee on Rules, who, within fourteen days after such reference, shall report thereon, recommending what action should be taken. (104.)

[1904; 1913.]

14. No committee shall be allowed to occupy the Senate Chamber without a vote of the Senate. (100.)

[1836; 1863; 1888.]

15. No legislation affecting the rights of individuals or the rights of a private or municipal corporation, otherwise than as it affects generally the people of the whole Commonwealth or the people of the city or town to which it specifically applies, shall be proposed or introduced except by a petition, nor shall any bill or resolve embodying such legislation be reported by a committee, except upon a petition duly referred, nor shall such a bill or resolve be reported by a committee, whether on an original reference or on a recommittal with instructions to hear the parties, until it is made to appear to the satisfaction of the committee that proper notice of the proposed legislation has been given by public advertisement or otherwise to all parties interested, without expense to the Commonwealth, or until evidence satisfactory to the committee is produced that all parties interested have in writing waived notice. A committee reporting leave to withdraw or reference to the next General Court for want of proper notice or of a waiver thereof shall set forth this fact in its report, and no bill or resolve shall be in order as a substitute for, or amendment of, such report. Objection to the violation of this rule may be taken at any stage prior to that of the third reading. (31.)

[1870; 1871; 1885; 1890.]

16. When the object of an application, whether by petition, or bill or resolve introduced on leave, can be secured under existing laws, or, without detriment to the public interests, by a general law, the committee to whom the matter is referred shall report leave to withdraw, ought not to pass, or a general law, as the case may be. (30.)

[1882; 1885; 1888; 1891; 1893.]

FORM OF BILLS AND RESOLVES.

17. Bills and resolves shall be presented in a legible form without material erasures or interlineations, on not less than one sheet of paper, with suitable margins and spaces between the several sections or resolves, and dates and numbers shall be written in words at length. Bills amending existing laws shall not provide for striking words from, or inserting words in, such laws, unless such course is the best calculated to show clearly the subject and nature of the amendment. No repealed law and no law which has expired by limitation, and no part of any such law, shall be re-enacted by reference merely. (42.)

[1844; 1857; 1880; 1882; 1885; 1888; 1889.]

INTRODUCTION OF BUSINESS.

18. Every member presenting a petition, memorial, or remonstrance, shall endorse his name thereon, and a brief statement of the nature and object of the instrument; and the reading of the instrument shall be dispensed with, unless specially ordered.

(37.) [1831; 1888.]

19. All motions contemplating legislation shall be founded upon petition or upon bill or resolve proposed to be introduced on leave. Committees to whom messages from the Governor, reports of State officers, boards, commissions, and others authorized to report to the Legislature shall be referred, may report by bill or otherwise such legislation as may be germane to the subject-matter referred to them. (40.)

[1858; 1888; 1891; 1893.]

20. All bills and resolves for introduction on leave, resolutions, and petitions for legislation accompanied by bills or resolves embodying the subject-matter prayed for, and all orders of inquiry, which are intended for presentation or introduction to the Senate, and all reports of State officers, shall first be deposited with the Clerk, and, prior to their presentation or introduction, shall be submitted by him to the committee on Rules for inspection. The committee shall examine the same for the purpose of ascertaining (1) whether the legislation proposed is plainly and specifically stated or already provided for; (2) whether such bills, resolves, resolutions, petitions and orders are in proper form; and (3) that compliance has been had with the rules of the Senate and the joint rules of the two branches. Every such matter shall be returned by the committee on Rules to the Clerk not later than the third legislative day succeeding the day of its deposit with him, unless consent in writing to the longer detention thereof is filed with the Clerk by the member presenting the matter, and, unless withdrawn by the member, it shall be by the Clerk submitted to the President and by him laid before the Senate not later than on the next legislative day after it is so returned. Bills, resolves and resolutions which have been laid before the Senate and introduced shall be read, and shall be, by the President, with the consent of the Senate, referred to the appropriate committees. Prior to such reference, the President may, in his discretion, order bills and resolves, intended for introduction on leave or filed to accompany petitions, and resolutions, intended for introduction, to be printed; and when he so orders they shall, after they are introduced, be printed under the direction of the Clerk. They shall retain, during all subsequent stages, their original numbers and shall also bear such new numbers as may be necessary. Subject to the provisions of Rule No. 22, every petition which is not accompanied by a bill or resolve shall be deposited with the Clerk and be retained in his custody until a bill or resolve embodying the legislation prayed for shall be filed with him, when he shall present the same to the committee on Rules, to be disposed of as provided above. The Senate may at any time by order make any

other disposition of petitions and remonstrances in the hands of the Clerk. Petitions and remonstrances relating to matters already sent to committees shall be by the President referred to the appropriate committees. (28.) [1891; 1893; 1894; 1916.]

21. The committee on Rules shall make no change in the substance or form of any matter referred to them in accordance with the preceding rule, without the consent of the member depositing the same, but upon the presentation or introduction of any such matter to the Senate it shall be the duty of some member of the committee on Rules, acting under the committee's instruction, to suggest any failure to comply with the rules, and to offer such amendment or propose such other action as is determined proper or necessary by the committee within the scope of its duties, as above set forth. If, upon such motion, before a petition is referred to a committee, the petitioner is given leave to withdraw because the petition is not in proper form, such action shall not be deemed to be a final rejection under Rule 54, and shall not prejudice the right of a member to present a petition for the same object conformably to the rules of the Senate and the joint rules of the two branches. [1893. — Partly embodied in Rule 20 of 1891.]

22. Any petition remaining in the hands of the Clerk subsequently to five o'clock in the afternoon of the second Saturday of the session, for the reason that no bill or resolve embodying the legislation prayed for has been presented, shall be forthwith submitted by him to the President, and by him, at the legislative session next succeeding, be referred to the next General Court. (29.) [1893; 1894; 1898; 1905; 1910.]

23. No bill or resolve shall be proposed or introduced unless received from the House of Representatives, reported by a committee, or moved as an amendment to the report of a committee, except that special leave may be granted to a member to introduce a bill or resolve, and such bill or resolve shall thereupon be referred to the proper committee for consideration and report. (47.) [1881; 1882; 1888.]

24. The consideration of any order proposed for adoption, or of any request for leave to introduce a bill or resolve, or of any motion to suspend Senate Rule 15, or joint rule 8, 9 or 12, shall be postponed without question to the day after that on which the order is proposed or request made, if any member asks such postponement. (41.) [1885; 1891.]

25. A petition for the incorporation of a town or city, or for the division of an existing town or city, or for the incorporation of a railroad, street railway, elevated railroad or canal company, or for the amendment, alteration or extension of the charter or corporate powers or privileges of any such company, either specially incorporated or organized under general laws, or for authority to take water for a water supply, or relative to building structures over navigable or tide waters, shall be referred to the next General Court, and not to a committee, unless the petitioner has given the notice required by chapter 3 of the Revised Laws or by other provisions of law. A petition for the incorpora-

tion of a college or university or other educational institution, with power to grant degrees, or for amendment of the charter of an existing educational institution so that the said institution, not having such power, shall thereafter have power to grant degrees, shall also be referred to the next General Court, and not to a committee, unless the petitioner has given the notice required by chapter 3 of the Revised Laws. But if, no objection being raised, any such petition is referred to a committee, without such required notice, the committee shall forthwith report reference to the next General Court, setting forth as the reason for such report failure to give the required notice, unless evidence satisfactory to the committee is produced that all parties interested have in writing waived notice. In case a bill or resolve is reported by a committee upon such a petition, after proof of such waiver of notice, this fact shall be set forth in the report of the committee. When a report of reference to the next General Court is made by a committee on account of failure to give the required notice, no bill or resolve shall be substituted for such report, nor shall such report be recommitted or referred to another committee; but reference of the petition to the next General Court for want of proper notice under this rule shall not affect action upon any other measure involving the same subject-matter. (32.) [1890; 1891; 1898; 1903.] (See Rule 15.)

COURSE OF PROCEEDINGS.

26. Bills and resolves from the House, after they are read a first time, shall be referred to a committee of the Senate, unless they have been reported by a joint committee or substituted for the report of a joint committee. Bills and resolves reported in the Senate, and bills and resolves from the House reported by joint committees or substituted for the reports of joint committees, shall, after they have been read once, be placed in the Orders of the Day for the next day for a second reading without a question, except as otherwise provided by Rule 27. Resolutions received from the House, or introduced or reported in the Senate, shall be read and, pending the question on their adoption, shall be placed in the Orders of the Day for the next day. (45, 56.) [1825; 1885; 1888; 1890; 1891; 1897.]

27. Bills and resolves involving the expenditure of public money, or a grant of public property, unless the subject-matter has been acted upon by the joint committee on Ways and Means, shall, after the first reading, be referred in course to the Senate committee on Ways and Means, whose duty it shall be to report on their relation to the finances of the Commonwealth or of any county thereof. (44.)

[1871; 1882; 1887; 1888; 1889; 1896.]

28. No bill or resolve shall pass to be engrossed without three readings on three several days. (51.)

[1817; 1836; 1841; 1859; 1878; 1881; 1882; 1885.]

29. Bills and resolves, in their several readings, and resolu-

tions, shall be read by their titles, unless objection is made. (48.)

[1817; 1836; 1841; 1859; 1878; 1881; 1882; 1885; 1890.]

30. If a committee to whom a bill or resolve is referred report that the same ought not to pass, the question shall be "Shall this bill (or resolve) be rejected?" and if such committee report recommending that the same be referred to the next General Court, the question shall be "Shall this bill (or resolve) be referred to the next General Court?" If the rejection or the recommendation of reference to the next General Court is negatived, the bill or resolve, if it has been read but once, shall go to its second reading without a question; and if it has been read more than once it shall be placed in the Orders of the Day for the next day, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, or engrossment, as the case may be. (43.)

[1817; 1836; 1841; 1859; 1878; 1881; 1882; 1885; 1897.]

31. If an amendment is made at the second or third reading of a bill or resolve, substantially changing the greater part thereof, the question shall not be put forthwith on ordering the bill or resolve to a third reading or to be engrossed, as the case may be, but the bill or resolve, as amended, shall be placed in the Orders of the next day after that on which the amendment is made, and shall then be open to further amendment before such question is put. In like manner, when an amendment is made in any proposition of such a nature as to change its character, as from a bill to an order, or the like, the proposition as amended shall be placed in the Orders of the next day after that on which the amendment was made. (62.)

[1882; 1888.]

32. Bills or resolves ordered to a third reading shall be placed in the Orders for the next day for such reading. (58.)

[1817; 1836; 1841; 1859; 1878; 1881; 1882; 1885.]

33. Bills and resolves when ordered to a third reading shall be referred to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, whose duty it shall be to examine and correct them, for the purpose of avoiding repetitions and unconstitutional provisions, and of insuring accuracy in the text and references, and consistency with the language of existing statutes; but any change in the sense or legal effect, or any material change in construction, shall be reported to the Senate as an amendment. Resolutions received from the House or introduced or reported in the Senate shall, after they are read and before they are adopted, be referred, in like manner, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading. When a bill, resolve or resolution has been so referred, no further action shall be taken until report thereon has been made by the committee. If a bill or resolve referred to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading contains an emergency preamble, or if it provides for the borrowing of money by the Commonwealth and comes within the provisions

of section 3 of Article XLII of the Amendments of the Constitution, the committee shall plainly indicate the fact on the outside of the bill or resolve, or on a wrapper or label attached thereto. (26, 50.)

[1817; 1836; 1882; 1888; 1890; 1891; 1914; 1919.]

34. Engrossed bills and resolves shall be referred to the committee on Engrossed Bills, whose duty it shall be carefully to compare the same with the bills or resolves as passed to be engrossed; and, if found by them to be rightly and truly engrossed, they shall so endorse on the envelope thereof; and the question of enactment or final passage or of adopting an emergency preamble shall be taken thereon without further reading, unless specially ordered. When an engrossed bill or resolve contains an emergency preamble or when it provides for the borrowing of money by the Commonwealth and comes within the provisions of section 3 of Article XLII of the Amendments of the Constitution, the committee on Engrossed Bills shall plainly indicate the fact on the envelope thereof. (27, 52, 54.)

[1817; 1831; 1882; 1888; 1914; 1919.]

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

35. The unfinished business in which the Senate was engaged at the time of the last adjournment shall have the preference in the Orders of the Day next after motions to reconsider. (60.)

[1830; 1870.]

36. Reports of committees not by bill or resolve shall be placed in the Orders of the next day after that on which they are made to the Senate or received from the House, as the case may be; except that the report of a committee asking to be discharged from the further consideration of a subject, and recommending that it be referred to another committee, shall be immediately considered. Amendments to a measure, which have been made by the House and sent back to the Senate for concurrence, shall be placed in the Orders of the next day after that on which they are received. Reports of committees on proposals for amendment of the Constitution shall be dealt with in accordance with the provisions of Joint Rule No. 23. (46, 57.)

[1845; 1853; 1888; 1891; 1919.]

37. After entering upon the consideration of the Orders of the Day, the Senate shall proceed with them in regular course, as follows: Matters not giving rise to a motion or debate shall first be disposed of in the order in which they stand in the calendar; then the matters that were passed over shall be considered and disposed of in like order. (59.)

[1817; 1836; 1841; 1859; 1878; 1882; 1885.]

38. No matter which has been duly placed in the Orders of the Day shall be discharged therefrom or considered out of its regular course. (61.) [1885.]

RULES OF DEBATE.

39. Every member, when he speaks, shall stand in his place and address the President. (73.) [1817; 1831; 1871.]

40. When two or more members rise to speak at the same time, the President shall designate the member who is entitled to the floor. (74.) [1831; 1888.]

41. No member shall speak more than once to the prevention of any other member who has not spoken and desires to speak on the same question. (76.) [1817; 1886.]

42. No member shall interrupt another while speaking, except by rising to call to order. (75.) [1817; 1831.]

43. After a question is put to vote no member shall speak to it. [1817.]

MOTIONS.

44. Any motion shall be reduced to writing, if the President so directs. A motion need not be seconded and may be withdrawn by the mover if no objection is made. (77, 78.) [1817; 1844; 1871; 1888.]

45. A question containing two or more propositions, capable of division, shall be divided whenever desired by any member. When a motion to strike out and insert is thus divided, the failure of the motion to strike out shall not preclude amendment; or, if the motion to strike out prevails, the matter proposed to be inserted shall be open to amendment before the question is taken on inserting it. (91.) [1817; 1841; 1888.]

46. When a question is under debate the President shall receive no motion that does not relate to the same, except a motion to adjourn or some other motion which has precedence by express rule of the Senate, or because it is privileged in its nature; and he shall receive no motion relating to the same except:—

- (1) *To lay on the table;*
- (2) *To close debate at a specified time;*
- (3) *To postpone to a day certain;*
- (4) *To commit (or recommit);*
- (5) *To amend;*
- (6) *To refer to the next General Court; or*
- (7) *To postpone indefinitely.*

These motions shall have precedence in the order in which they stand (80.)

committees, the committees proposed shall be considered in the following order: —

- (1) A standing committee of the Senate;
- (2) A special committee of the Senate;
- (3) A joint standing committee of the two branches;
- (4) A joint special committee of the two branches. (88.)
[1884; 1888.]

49. No engrossed bill or resolve shall be amended; but this rule shall not apply to a bill or resolve returned by the Governor with a recommendation of amendment in accordance with the provisions of Article LVI of the Amendments of the Constitution. (53.) [1837; 1919.]

50. No motion or proposition of a subject different from that under consideration shall be admitted under the color of an amendment. (90.) [1882.]

51. In filling blanks the largest sum and longest time shall be put first. (87, 92.) [1882.]

52. The motion to adjourn, and the call for yeas and nays, shall be decided without debate. On the motions to lay on the table and take from the table, to commit or recommit (except with instructions), not exceeding ten minutes shall be allowed for debate, and no member shall speak more than three minutes. (69, 79.) [1817; 1859; 1870; 1874; 1882; 1885.]

RECONSIDERATION.

53. No motion to reconsider a vote shall be entertained unless it is made on the same day on which the vote has passed, or on the next day thereafter on which a quorum is present and before the Orders of the Day for that day have been taken up. If reconsideration is moved on the same day, the motion shall be placed first in the Orders of the Day for the succeeding day; but, if it is moved on the succeeding day, the motion shall be considered forthwith: *provided, however*, that this rule shall not prevent the reconsideration of a vote on a subsidiary, incidental or dependent question at any time when the main question to which it relates is under consideration; and *provided, further*, that a motion to reconsider a vote on any incidental, subsidiary or dependent question shall not remove the main subject under consideration from before the Senate, but shall be considered at the time when it is made. There shall be no reconsideration of the vote on the question on adjourning, for the yeas and nays, on laying on the table or on taking from the table; and when a motion for reconsideration has been decided, that decision shall not be reconsidered. (70, 71.)

[1817; between 1821 and 1826; 1858; 1885; 1888; 1891; 1902.]

REJECTED MEASURES.

54. When any measure has been finally rejected, no measure substantially the same shall be introduced by any committee or member during the session. (49.)

[1817; dispensed with in 1831, and revived in 1838; amended in 1841; 1844; 1877; 1882.]

VOTING.

55. The President shall declare all votes; but if a member doubts a vote, the President shall order a return of the number voting in the affirmative, and in the negative, without further debate. (3, 66.) [1831; 1888.]

56. When a member moves that a question be taken by yeas and nays, the President shall take the sense of the Senate in that manner, provided one-fifth of the members present so direct. If, before the question is taken, a member states to the Senate that he has paired with another member and how each would vote on the pending question, the fact shall be entered on the journal immediately after the record of the yeas and nays, and such member shall be excused from voting. (68.)

[1817; 1852; 1888.]

57. Whenever a question is taken by yeas and nays, the Clerk shall call the names of all the members, except the President, in alphabetical order, and every member present shall answer to his name, unless excused before the vote is taken; and no member shall be permitted to vote after the decision is announced from the chair. (64, 68.) [1837; 1844.]

ELECTIONS BY BALLOT.

58. In all elections by ballot a time shall be assigned for such election, at least one day previous thereto, except in case of an election of President or President *pro tempore*, under the provisions of Rule 5. (96.) [1831; 1891.]

REPORTERS' GALLERY.

59. Subject to the approval and direction of the committee on Rules during the session and of the President after prorogation, the use of the reporters' gallery of the Senate Chamber shall be under the control of the organization of legislative reporters known as the Massachusetts State House Press Association. Except in the employ of the newspaper or publication which he represents as a legislative reporter, no person who is entitled to the privileges of the reporters' gallery shall seek to influence the action of the Senate or any member thereof, nor shall such person approach a member to seek to influence him in any place from which legislative agents are excluded by Rule 61. (100.) [1847; 1911; 1914.]

THE SENATE CHAMBER AND ADJOINING ROOMS.

60. No person not a member shall be allowed to sit at the Senate table while the Senate is in session. (99.) [1853; 1888.]

61. No person, except members of the legislative and executive departments of the State government, persons in the exercise of an official duty directly connected with the business of the Senate, and legislative reporters who are entitled to the privileges of the reporters' gallery, shall, unless invited by the President, be admitted to the floor of the Senate Chamber, or to the reception room or to the corridor between the reception room and the Senate Chamber, during the sessions of the Senate, or during the half hour preceding or succeeding said sessions, nor to the Senate reading room, cloak room corridor, cloak room or anterooms on any day when a session of the Senate is held, except upon written invitation bearing the name of the person it is desired to invite and the name of the Senator extending the invitation, which invitation shall be surrendered when the said person enters the apartment. No legislative counsel or agent shall be admitted to the floor of the Senate Chamber, nor, on any day when a session of the Senate is held, to the reading room, the cloak room, the reception room or the Senate corridors or anterooms. No person, except members of the legislative and executive departments of the State government, persons in the exercise of an official duty directly connected with the business of the Senate, and legislative reporters who are entitled to the privileges of the reporters' gallery, shall be permitted to loiter in the reading room, the cloak room, the reception room or the Senate corridors or anterooms at any time. Smoking shall not be permitted in the reception room. (99.)

[1870; 1875; 1886; 1891; 1895; 1896; 1897; 1898; 1907; 1909; 1914; 1916.]

 PARLIAMENTARY PRACTICE.

62. The rules of parliamentary practice comprised in the revised edition of Crocker's Principles of Procedure in Deliberative Bodies, and the principles of parliamentary law set forth in Cushing's Law and Practice of Legislative Assemblies, shall govern the Senate in all cases to which they are applicable, and in which they are not inconsistent with the rules of the Senate, or the joint rules of the two branches. (101.)

[1847; 1858; 1882; 1895.]

 ALTERATIONS, SUSPENSION OR REPEAL OF RULES.

63. This rule and rules 24, 31, 33, 34 and 53 shall not be suspended if objection is made; rule 22 shall not be rescinded, amended or suspended, except by a vote of four-fifths of the members present and voting thereon; and no other rule shall be altered, suspended or repealed, except by vote of two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon. (103.)

[1817; 1841; 1848; 1882; 1888; 1891; 1893; 1899.]

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1. Joint standing committees shall be appointed at the beginning of the political year as follows:—

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A committee on Education;

A committee on Election Laws;

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A committee on Harbors and Public Lands;
 A committee on Labor;
 A committee on Municipal Finance;
 A committee on Public Health;
 A committee on Public Service;
 A committee on Roads and Bridges;
 A committee on Social Welfare;
 A committee on State House and Libraries;
 A committee on Water Supply;

Each to consist of three members on the part of the Senate,
 and eight on the part of the House;

A committee on Administration and Commissions;
 A committee on Agriculture;
 A committee on Banks and Banking;
 A committee on Cities;
 A committee on Fisheries and Game;
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 A committee on Street Railways;
 A committee on Taxation;
 A committee on Towns;

A committee on Waterways and Terminals;

Each to consist of four members on the part of the Senate,
 and eleven on the part of the House.

Matters referred by either the Senate or the House to its committee on the Judiciary, on Ways and Means, or on Rules shall be considered by the respective committees of the two branches, acting as joint committees, when, in the judgment of the chairmen of the respective committees of the two branches, the interests of legislation or the expedition of business will be better served by such joint consideration. Matters may also be referred respectively to the committees on the Judiciary, on Ways and Means, and on Rules, of the two branches, as joint committees.

The committees on Rules, together with the presiding officers of the two branches, acting as a joint committee, may consider and suggest such measures as shall, in their judgment, tend to facilitate the business of the session. [Amended Jan. 6, 1882; Jan. 5, 1883; Jan. 7, 1884; Jan. 8, 1885; Jan. 26, 1885; Jan. 8, 1886; Jan. 12, 1887; Jan. 9, 1888; Jan. 28, 1889; Jan. 8, 1890; Feb. 2, 1891; Jan. 11, 1892; Feb. 10, 1892; Feb. 7, 1893; Jan. 8, 1894; Jan. 7, 1895; Jan. 7, 1896; Jan. 11, 1897; Jan. 10, 1898; Jan. 9, 1899; Jan. 22 and Jan. 29, 1901; Jan. 6, 1902; Jan. 9, 1903; Jan. 8, 1904; Jan. 6, 1905; Jan. 4, 1907; Jan. 5, 1910; Jan. 4, 1911; Jan. 1, 1913; Jan. 12, 1914; Jan. 2, 1918; and Jan. 1 and 8, and Feb. 21, 1919.]

2. No member of either branch shall act as counsel for any party before any committee of the Legislature.

3. No committee of the Senate or the House shall travel unless authorized by a vote of two-thirds of the members of its branch present and voting. No joint committee shall travel unless authorized by a concurrent vote of two-thirds of the members of each branch present and voting. No committee shall travel except at the expense of the Commonwealth. In any case when a committee is authorized to travel, the Sergeant-at-Arms shall provide transportation only for members of the committee and the officer accompanying them, and the reasonable travelling expenses of such members and officers only shall be charged to or paid by the Commonwealth. Neither the Sergeant-at-Arms nor the officer detailed by him shall permit any person to accompany such committee while in the discharge of its official duties unless invited by vote of the committee.

All bills for the travelling expenses of committees shall, in such form and detail as may be prescribed by the Auditor of the Commonwealth, be submitted by the Sergeant-at-Arms to the committee by whom they have been incurred; and such bills, before they are presented to the Auditor of the Commonwealth, shall first be approved by a majority of the committee incurring them. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall procure from the Auditor and shall, on the first Monday in each month, transmit to the General Court in print a statement of all such bills which have been presented to the Auditor during the preceding month. [Adopted Feb. 7, 1890. Amended Feb. 2, 1891, and Jan. 20, 1904.]

4. Joint committees may report by bill, resolve, or otherwise, to either branch, at their discretion, having reference to an equal distribution of business between the two branches, except that money bills shall be reported to the House; and except that when a report is made from any committee to either branch, and the subject-matter thereof is subsequently referred therein to a joint committee, such committee shall report its action to the branch in which the original report was made. [See also next rule.]

5. Reports of joint committees may be recommitted to the same committees at the pleasure of the branch first acting thereon, and bills or resolves may be recommitted in either branch, but no such recommitment shall be made after the fourth Wednesday in March. A concurrent vote shall, however, be necessary for the recommitment of such reports, bills, or resolves, with instructions. After recommitment, report shall, in all cases, be made to the branch originating the recommitment. [Amended Feb. 2, 1891.]

6. Bills and resolves reported by joint committees shall be printed or fairly written in a legible hand, without material erasure or interlineation, and on not less than one sheet of paper, with suitable margins, and with spaces between the several sections. Dates and numbers shall be printed or written in words at length. [Amended Jan. 28, 1889.]

7. Whenever, upon any application for an act of incorporation or other legislation, the purpose for which such legislation is sought can be secured without detriment to the public interests by a general law or under existing laws, the committee to which the matter is referred shall report such general law, or "leave to withdraw," or "ought not to pass." [Amended Feb. 2, 1891, and Feb. 7, 1893.]

7A. A committee to which is referred a petition for legislation to authorize a city or town to reinstate in its service a person formerly employed by it shall report thereon leave to withdraw unless the person seeking to be reinstated has first petitioned the local police, district or municipal court for a review, as provided by law. [Adopted April 29, 1915.]

Notice to Parties Interested.

8. No legislation affecting the rights of individuals or the rights of a private or municipal corporation, otherwise than as it affects generally the people of the whole Commonwealth or the people of the city or town to which it specifically applies, shall be proposed or introduced except by a petition, nor shall any bill or resolve embodying such legislation be reported by a committee except upon a petition duly referred, nor shall such a bill or resolve be reported by a committee, whether on an original reference or on a recommittal with instructions to hear the parties, until it is made to appear to the satisfaction of the committee that proper notice of the proposed legislation has been given by public advertisement or otherwise to all parties interested, without expense to the Commonwealth, or until evidence satisfactory to the committee is produced that all parties interested have in writing waived notice. A committee reporting leave to withdraw or reference to the next General Court for want of proper notice or of a waiver thereof shall set forth this fact in its report, and no bill or resolve shall be in order as a substitute for, or amendment of, such report. Objection to the violation of this rule may be taken at any stage prior to that of the third reading. [Adopted Feb. 7, 1890.]

9. A petition for the incorporation of a town or city, or for the division of an existing town or city, or for the incorporation of a railroad, street railway, elevated railroad or canal company, or for the amendment, alteration or extension of the charter or corporate powers or privileges of any such company, either specially incorporated or organized under general laws, or for authority to take water for a water supply, or relative to building structures over navigable or tide waters, shall be referred to the next General Court, and not to a committee, unless the petitioner has given the notice required by chapter 3 of the Revised Laws, or by other provisions of law. A petition for the incorporation of a college or university or other educational institution, with power to grant degrees, or for an amendment of the charter of an existing educational institu-

tion so that the said institution, not having such power, shall thereafter have power to grant degrees, shall also be referred to the next General Court, and not to a committee, unless the petitioner has given the notice required by chapter 3 of the Revised Laws. But if, no objection being raised, any such petition is referred to a committee without such required notice, the committee shall forthwith report reference to the next General Court, setting forth as the reason for such report failure to give the required notice, unless evidence satisfactory to the committee is produced that all parties interested have in writing waived notice. In case a bill or resolve is reported by a committee upon such a petition, after proof of such waiver of notice, this fact shall be set forth in the report of the committee. When a report of reference to the next General Court is made by a committee on account of failure to give the required notice, no bill or resolve shall be substituted for such report, nor shall such report be recommitted or referred to another committee; but reference of the petition to the next General Court for want of proper notice under this rule shall not affect action upon any other measure involving the same subject-matter. [Adopted Feb. 7, 1890. Amended Feb. 2, 1891; Feb. 3, 1898; and Jan. 16, 1903.]

Limit of Time allowed for Reports of Committees.

10. Joint committees shall make final report upon all matters previously referred to them, on or before the second Wednesday in March; but, except as provided in Rule No. 30, the time within which they are required to report upon such matters may be extended, by concurrent vote, until a day not later than the second Wednesday in April. When the time within which such joint committees are required to report has expired, all matters upon which no report has then been made shall, within three legislative days thereafter, be reported by the chairman of the committee on the part of the branch in which they were respectively introduced, with a recommendation of reference to the next General Court under this rule. This rule shall not be rescinded, amended or suspended, except by a concurrent vote of four-fifths of the members of each branch present and voting thereon. [Amended Feb. 2, 1891; Jan. 25, 1894; Jan. 16, 1903; and Jan. 20, 1904.]

Committees of Conference.

11. Committees of conference shall consist of three members on the part of each branch, representing its vote; and their report, if agreed to by a majority of each committee, shall be made to the branch asking the conference, and may be either accepted or rejected, but no other action shall be had, except through a new committee of conference.

Limit of Time allowed for New Business.

12. Resolutions, and petitions, memorials, bills and resolves introduced on leave, and all other subjects of legislation, except reports required or authorized to be made to the Legislature, deposited with the Clerk of either branch subsequently to five o'clock in the afternoon on the second Saturday of the session, shall, when presented, be referred to the next General Court; but this rule shall not apply to petitions in aid of, and remonstrances against, legislation already introduced and pending; nor shall it apply to a petition offered in place of a former one having in view the same object, upon which, before reference to a committee, leave to withdraw was given because the same was not in proper form, provided that such subsequent petition is deposited with the Clerk of either branch within one week from the day on which leave to withdraw was given; nor shall it apply to a bill or resolve introduced on leave or to a resolution presented subsequently to five o'clock in the afternoon on the second Saturday of the session, when such bill, resolve or resolution is based upon the report of a joint committee which has been made in compliance with instructions to report facts or to investigate, provided the said bill, resolve or resolution is introduced within one week after the committee's report is submitted. This rule shall not be rescinded, amended or suspended, except by a concurrent vote of four-fifths of the members of each branch present and voting thereon: *provided, however*, that, except by unanimous consent, it shall not be suspended with reference to a petition for legislation when such petition is not accompanied by a bill or a resolve embodying the legislation requested. [Amended Feb. 7, 1890; Feb. 2, 1891; Feb. 7, 1893; Jan. 10, 1898; Jan. 9, 1899; Feb. 15, 1901; May 4, 1904; Jan. 31, 1910; and Feb. 2, 1917.]

Requests for Legislation to be deposited with the Clerks.

13. Petitions and memorials, accompanied by bills or resolves embodying the subject-matter prayed for, bills and resolves for introduction on leave, and all other subjects of legislation, and all resolutions and orders of inquiry, intended for presentation to the General Court by any member, shall be deposited with the Clerk of the branch to which such member belongs, and shall be laid before such branch not later than at the session of the fourth legislative day succeeding the day on which the same have been so deposited. [Adopted Feb. 7, 1890. Amended Feb. 2, 1891; Feb. 7, 1893; and Jan. 25, 1894.]

Dockets of Legislative Counsel and Agents.

14. The joint committee on Rules shall have authority to prescribe the manner and form of keeping the dockets of legislative counsel and agents which are required by law. [Adopted Feb. 2, 1891.]

Duties of the Clerks.

15. If any part of the report of a committee over the signature of the chairman or members of the committee is amended in either branch, the Clerk of that branch shall endorse upon the report such amendment.

16. All papers, while on their passage between the two branches, may be under the signature of the respective Clerks, except as to the adopting of emergency preambles and the final passage of bills and resolves. Messages may be sent by such persons as each branch may direct. [Amended Feb. 21, 1919.]

17. After bills and resolves have passed both branches to be engrossed, they shall be in the charge of the Clerks of the two branches, who shall deliver the same to the Secretary of the Commonwealth, to be engrossed in the manner prescribed by law; and when engrossed the said Clerks shall forthwith deliver the same to the committee of the House of Representatives on Engrossed Bills; and when the bills have been passed to be enacted or the resolves have been passed in that House, they shall, in like manner, be delivered to the committee of the Senate on Engrossed Bills. If an engrossed bill or resolve contains an emergency preamble, it shall be delivered, in like manner, to the latter committee after the preamble has been adopted by the House of Representatives and before the bill or resolve is put upon its final passage in that branch; and, if the Senate concurs in adopting the preamble, the bill or resolve shall be returned to the House to be there first put upon its final passage, in accordance with the requirements of Joint Rule No. 22. [Amended Feb. 24, 1914; Feb. 21, 1919.]

18. If any petition, memorial, bill, resolve or order, presented or originating in one branch, is adversely acted upon in the other, notice thereof shall be given, under the signature of the Clerk, to the branch in which the same originated.

19. The Clerk of the branch in which a bill or a resolve originated shall make an endorsement on the envelope of the engrossed copy thereof, certifying in which branch the same originated, which endorsement shall be entered on the journals by the Clerks respectively. [Amended Jan. 28, 1889; Feb. 24, 1914.]

20. Bills, resolves and other papers requiring the approval of the Governor shall be laid before him for his approbation by the Clerk of the Senate, who shall enter upon the journal of the Senate the day on which the same were so laid before the Governor. [Amended Jan. 28, 1889.]

Printing and Distribution of Documents.

21. The joint committee on Rules may make regulations for the distribution of all documents printed or assigned for the use of the Legislature not otherwise disposed of, and such regulations shall be reported to and be subject to the order of the two branches.

Under the general order to print a report, bill or other document, the number printed shall be nine hundred.

Leave to report in print shall not be construed to authorize the printing of extended reports of evidence.

Bills, reports and other documents, printed under the general order of either branch, shall be distributed as follows, to wit: two copies to each member of the Senate and House of Representatives (to be placed on his file under the direction of the Sergeant-at-Arms, if desired by the member); three copies to each Clerk in either branch, and three copies to each reporter in regular attendance, to whom a seat has been assigned in either branch; twenty copies to the Executive; twenty copies to the Secretary's office; six copies to the State Library; one copy to each Public Library in the Commonwealth, which shall make due application therefor to the Sergeant-at-Arms, and shall make proper provision for the transmission and preservation thereof; and, when the document is the report of a committee, ten copies shall be assigned to the committee making the report. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall preserve as many as may be necessary for the permanent files to be placed in the lobbies, and distribute the remainder under such regulations as may be prescribed by said joint committee. [Amended Jan. 8, 1886; Jan. 28, 1889; and Jan. 27, 1911.]

Emergency Measures.

22. The vote on the preamble of an emergency law, which under the requirements of Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution must be taken by call of the yeas and nays, shall be had after the proposed law has been engrossed; and neither branch shall vote on the enactment of a bill or on the passage of a resolve containing an emergency preamble until it has been determined whether the preamble shall remain or be eliminated. If the two branches concur in adopting the preamble, the bill or resolve shall first be put upon its final passage in the House of Representatives. If either branch fails to adopt the preamble, notice of its action shall be sent to the other branch; and the bill or resolve, duly endorsed, shall be returned to the Secretary of the Commonwealth for re-engrossment without the said preamble and without any provision that the bill or the resolve shall take effect earlier than ninety days after it has become law. Procedure shall be otherwise in accordance with the joint rules and the rules of the Senate and the House of Representatives. [Adopted Feb. 21, 1919.]

Legislative Amendments of the Constitution.

23. A joint committee to which is referred any proposal for a specific legislative amendment of the Constitution shall, when recommending final action, make in each branch a separate report of its recommendation, and shall then file the said proposal, together with any official papers in its possession that relate thereto, with the Clerk of the Senate. If the committee recom-

mends adverse action on a petition for an amendment of the Constitution, the form of the report shall be that the amendment ought not to pass. In each branch the report shall be read and forthwith placed on file; and no further legislative action shall be taken on the measure unless consideration in joint session is called for by vote of either branch, in accordance with the provisions of Section 2 of Part IV of Article XLVIII of the Amendments of the Constitution. If either branch calls for such consideration, notice of its action shall be sent to the other branch; and it shall then be the duty of the Senate and the House of Representatives to arrange for the holding of the joint session not later than the second Wednesday in June. Subject to the requirements of the Constitution, joint sessions or continuances of joint sessions of the two branches to consider proposals for specific amendments of the Constitution, and all rules or provisions concerning procedure therein, shall be determined only by concurrent votes of the two branches. The rules relative to joint conventions shall apply to the joint sessions of the two houses. [Adopted Feb. 21, 1919.]

Joint Conventions.

24. The President of the Senate shall preside in Conventions of the two branches, and such Conventions shall be holden in the Representatives' Chamber; the Clerk of the Senate shall be Clerk of the Convention, and a record of the proceedings of the Convention shall be entered at large on the journals of both branches.

25. When an agreement has been made by the two branches to go into Convention, such agreement shall not be altered or annulled, except by concurrent vote.

26. No business shall be entered on, in Convention, other than that which may be agreed on before the Convention is formed.

Joint Elections.

27. In all elections by joint ballot a time shall be assigned therefor at least one day previous to such election.

Recess Committees.

28. No standing or special committee of the Senate or House of Representatives and no joint committee shall sit during the recess of the General Court unless authorized so to do by concurrent votes of the two branches. [Adopted Feb. 24, 1914.]

Joint Committee on Rules.

29. All motions or orders authorizing joint committees to

days after such reference, shall report thereon, recommending what action should be taken. [Adopted Jan. 10, 1898. Amended Jan. 20, 1904; and Jan. 28, 1913.]

30. All motions or orders extending the time within which joint committees are required to report shall be referred without debate to the joint committee on Rules, who shall report recommending what action should be taken thereon. No such extension beyond the second Wednesday in April shall be granted, against the recommendation of the joint committee on Rules, except by a four-fifths vote of the members of each branch present and voting thereon. This rule shall not be rescinded, amended or suspended, except by a concurrent vote of four-fifths of the members of each branch present and voting thereon. [Adopted Jan. 16, 1903. Amended Feb. 6, 1912.]

Members.

31. A member of either branch who directly or indirectly solicits for himself or others any position or office within the gift or control of a railroad corporation, street railway company, gas or electric light company, telegraph or telephone company, aqueduct or water company, or other public service corporation, shall be subject to suspension therefor, or to such other penalty as the branch of which he is a member may see fit to impose. [Adopted May 22, 1902.]

Accommodations for Reporters.

32. Subject to the approval and direction of the joint committee on Rules during the session and of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House after prorogation, the use of the rooms and facilities assigned to reporters in the State House shall be under the control of the organization of legislative reporters known as the Massachusetts State House Press Association. No person shall be permitted to use such rooms or facilities who is not entitled to the privileges of the reporters' gallery of the Senate or of the House. [Adopted Jan. 27, 1911. Amended Feb. 24, 1914.]

Suspension of Rules.

33. Any joint rule except the tenth, twelfth and thirtieth may be altered, suspended or rescinded by a concurrent vote of two-thirds of the members of each branch present and voting thereon. [Amended Feb. 7, 1893. Adopted in revised form Jan. 9, 1899. Amended Jan. 16, 1903.]

[No. 4.]

THE OATH OF OFFICE.

[See page 4.]

I, (repeating your name) , do solemnly swear that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and will support the Constitution thereof. *So help me, God.*

I, , do solemnly swear and affirm that I will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all the duties incumbent upon me as a senator, according to the best of my abilities and understanding, agreeably to the rules and regulations of the Constitution and laws of this Commonwealth. *So help me, God.*

I, , do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States. *So help me, God.*

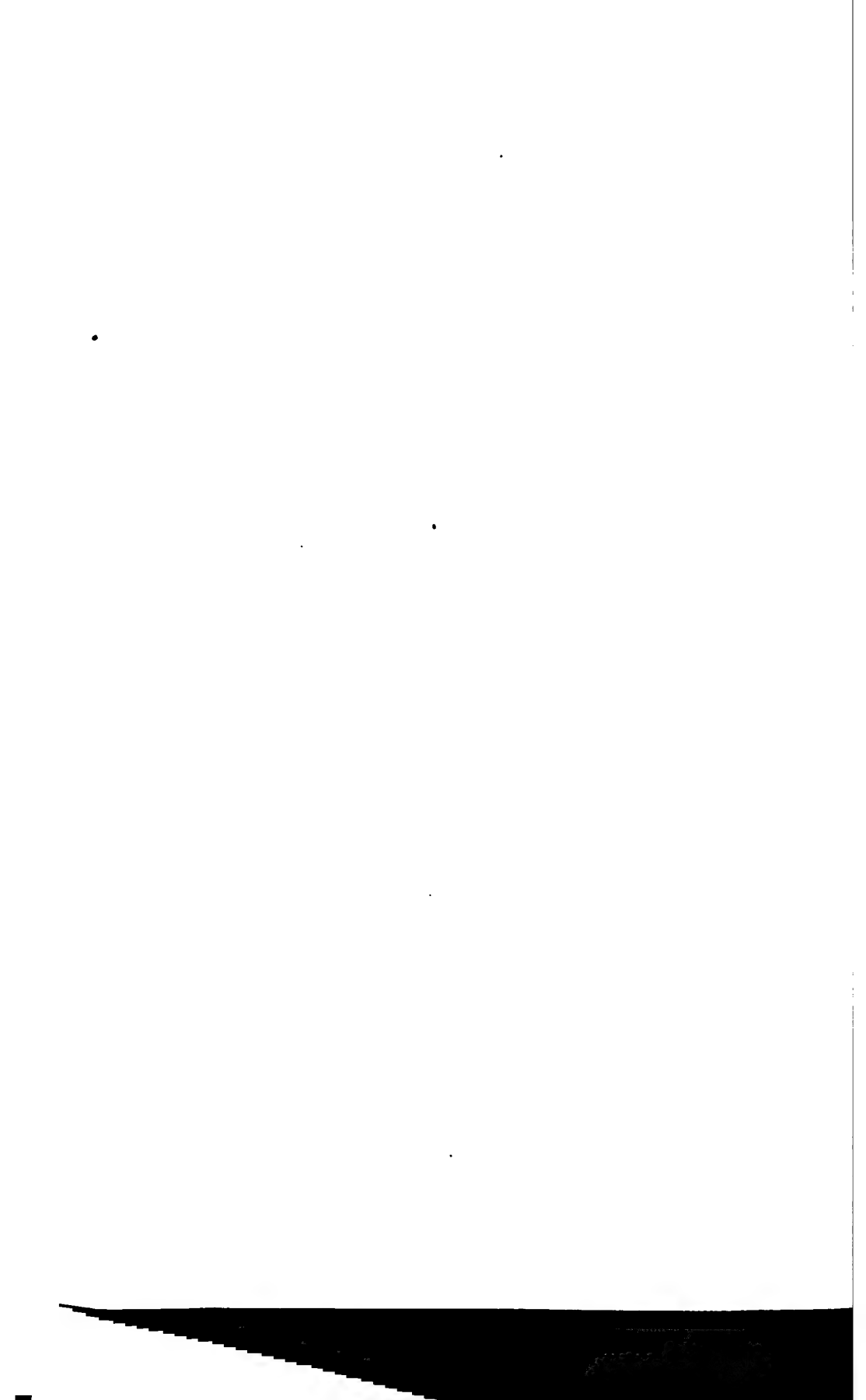
AFFIRMATION.

I, (repeating your name) , do solemnly affirm that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and will support the Constitution thereof. *This I do under the pains and penalties of perjury.*

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- Bill to suspend the civil service laws and regulations in favor of returning soldiers and sailors (see House, No. 1543, amended), 676, (yeas and nays) 677.
- Bill to provide for State and military aid and soldiers' relief for persons in the military or naval service of the United States in the war with Germany, and for their dependents (see House, No. 1510), (yeas and nays) 688.
- Bill to validate certain votes taken by towns in the current year (see Senate, No. 440, amended), (yeas and nays) 745.
- Bill to validate certain appropriations by cities and towns for soldiers' and sailors' memorials (see House, No. 1592), (yeas and nays) 745.
- Bill relative to the granting of soldiers' relief and military aid (see Senate, No. 436, amended), (yeas and nays) 782.
- Bill to provide for a testimonial to residents of Massachusetts who served in the army or navy during the present war (see House, No. 1433), (yeas and nays) 782.
- Bill relative to the issuance of search warrants for the seizure of firearms, weapons, and ammunition kept for unlawful purposes (see Senate, No. 500, amended), (yeas and nays) 792.
- Bill to extend the time for the operation of certain provisions of law relative to the Boston and Maine Railroad (see Senate, No. 499), (yeas and nays) 806.
- Bill relative to the duties and expenses of the Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions (see House, No. 1611, amended), (yeas and nays) 830.
- Bill to prevent the promotion of anarchy (see House, No. 1757), (yeas and nays) 836.
- Bill relative to the inspection force of the State Board of Labor and Industries (House, No. 1756, amended), (yeas and nays) 851.
- Bill relative to the powers of cities and towns in respect to public recreation, playgrounds and physical education (see House, No. 1742, amended), (yeas and nays) 866.
- Bill to provide for the appointment of a commission to complete the work of revising and codifying the laws relating to towns (see Senate, No. 564), (yeas and nays) 905.
- Bill to authorize the maintenance of a temporary bridge over Neponset River in the cities of Boston and Quincy, and to cede certain land to the United States (see House, No. 1787), (yeas and nays) 974.
- Bill relative to the termination of tenancies at will (see House, No. 1815), (yeas and nays) 975.
- Bill to provide suitable recognition of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the army and navy of the United States during the war with Germany (see House, No. 1803, amended), 982, (yeas and nays) 983.
- Bill to regulate the mileage allowance of members and certain employees of the General Court (see Senate, No. 469, amended), (yeas and nays) 996.
- Bill granting the consent of the Commonwealth to the purchase by the United States of certain lands in South Boston, and ceding jurisdiction thereover (see House, No. 1775, amended), (yeas and nays) 996.
- Bill relative to the appropriation for the improvement of Beverly Harbor (see House, No. 1788, amended), (yeas and nays) 1022.
- Bill to provide for the exchange of certain lands and rights in land between the United States and the Commonwealth, situated in Watertown, and to complete the construction of North Beacon Street in said town (see House, No. 1861), (yeas and nays) 1022.
- Bill to authorize the Sergeant-at-Arms to employ additional watchmen at the State House (see Senate, No. 582, changed and amended), 1032, (yeas and nays) 1033.

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- Bill to promote Americanization through the education of adult persons unable to use the English language (see Senate, No. 616, amended), (yeas and nays) 1040.
- Bill relative to the term of the bonds to be issued to provide suitable recognition of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the army and navy of the United States during the war with Germany (see House, No. 1936), 1076, (yeas and nays) 1077.
- Bill relative to the granting of plumbers' licenses to certain soldiers and sailors (see House, No. 1906), 1078, (yeas and nays) 1079.
- Bill extending the time for applications for registration as chiropodists to persons absent from the Commonwealth by reason of military or naval service (see House, No. 1907), (yeas and nays) 1079.
- Bill to reimburse certain public officials because of injuries sustained as a result of the performance of public duty (see Senate, No. 639), (yeas and nays) 1104.
- Bill to impose an additional tax upon incomes of two thousand dollars from professions, employments, trade and business (see House, No. 1910, amended), (yeas and nays) 1104.
- Bill to prohibit the unauthorized possession of bombs and explosives (see House, No. 1926), (yeas and nays) 1105.
- Bill relative to the taking of jurats in applications for soldiers' and sailors' bonuses (see bill printed as House, No. 1944), (yeas and nays) 1111.
- Bill relative to the powers and duties of the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands (see House, No. 1916, amended), (yeas and nays) 1114.
- Bill relative to the taxation of domestic business corporations (see House, No. 1918), 1114, (yeas and nays) 1115.
- Bill relative to the apportionment of county taxes (see Senate, No. 648), (yeas and nays) 1123.
- Bill to establish the basis of apportionment of State and county taxes (see House, No. 1917), (yeas and nays) 1124.
- Bill to impose special taxes to provide suitable recognition of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the army and navy of the United States during the war with Germany (see House, No. 1933, amended), 1124, (yeas and nays) 1125.
- Bill to apportion and assess a State tax of eleven million dollars (see House, No. 1937), (yeas and nays) 1125.
- Bill to establish a special commission on the necessities of life (see Senate, No. 651, amended), (yeas and nays) 1133.
- Bill to apportion and assess the special State tax required by the act to impose special taxes to provide suitable recognition of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the army and navy of the United States during the war with Germany (see House, No. 1942), 1133, (yeas and nays) 1134.
- Bill to authorize cities and towns to lease certain buildings to posts of the American Legion (see House, No. 1947), (yeas and nays) 1146.
- Bill regulating the sale of alcohol (see Senate, No. 626, amended), (yeas and nays) 1155.
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- Bill to extend the time for filing returns of taxable property by foreign corporations (see Senate, No. 447), (yeas and nays) 677.
- Bill relative to the payment of dividends or interest on savings deposits (House, No. 1892, amended), (yeas and nays) 1091.

- Emerson College of Oratory, Recommendations of the Board of Education relative to petitions of, and the trustees of the Portia School of Law for authority to grant certain degrees, 62; Petition (H.) of Henry Lawrence Southwick and others that, be authorized to grant the degree of bachelor of letters, 62; petition (H.) of Harry Seymour Ross and others that, be authorized to grant certain degrees, 72; special report of the Board of Education relative to the petitions of, and the Board of Trustees of the Gordon Bible College for authority to grant degrees, 92; supplementary report of the Board of Education submitting its recommendations relative to the petitions of Harry Seymour Ross and others and Henry Lawrence Southwick and others that, be authorized to grant degrees, 307; Bill (H.) to authorize, to grant the degree of bachelor of literary interpretation, 472, 490, 509; enacted, etc., 543.
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- Petition of John J. Kearney that employers to whom the Workmen's Compensation Act is applicable shall keep certain records of their, 44; report leave to withdraw, 760; accepted, 776.
- Employment agencies (see "Soldiers and Sailors"), Petition (H.) of Harry J. Dooley for restriction or abolition of the business of conducting private, and labor bureaus, 28; report (H.) leave to withdraw, 762; accepted, 777.
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- Petition (H.) of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor that free and private, be put under the control of the State Board of Labor and Industries, 104; report (H.) leave to withdraw, 763; accepted, 777.
- Employment certificates. See "Minors."
- Engineers, Petition (H.) of John R. Lees relative to granting licenses to operate stationary engines, 118; report (H.) reference to next General Court, 204; accepted, 211.
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- Petition (H.) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, relative to, of police, district and municipal courts, clerks of courts, registers of deeds, recorder and assistant recorders of the land court and registers of probate and insolvency, 104; report (H.) leave to withdraw, 541; accepted, 557.
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- Fire departments, Petition (H.) of Fred J. Burrell that cities and towns be required to furnish members of their police and, with uniforms, 116; report (H.) leave to withdraw, 313; accepted, 326.
- Petition (H.) of William H. McDonnell that the city of Boston be authorized to pay annuities to widows and orphans of employees of the police and, of said city fatally injured in the discharge of their duties, 129; Bill to establish the annuity payable to the widows and children of certain deceased policemen and firemen, 311, 324, (title changed) 338. (See "Boston, City of," — sub-heading "*Fire Department*.")
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- Fish, Petition (H.) of Wendell P. Murray and others for the appointment in certain cities by the Board of Commissioners on Fisheries and Game of inspectors of, offered for sale at wholesale, 146; report (H.) leave to withdraw, 407; accepted, 419.
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- Fish industry, Order (H.)** extending to the first day of March in the current year the time within which the General Court will receive the report of the joint special committee appointed under an order of the General Court of 1915 to continue the investigation of, in this Commonwealth, 30; order granting further time for filing report, 252; order granting further time for filing report, 451; order (H.) granting further time for filing report, 487; order (H.) granting further time for filing report, 688; report of committee received, 788.
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- Bill** (in part) relative to maintaining or increasing unreasonably the price of any necessary of life, 1006, 1019 1024; enacted, etc., 1055.
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- Petition (H.)** of Thomas F. Pedrick that a receptacle be provided in the State House for, carried by Massachusetts soldiers and sailors in the present war, 649. (See "State Budget Bills.")
- Petition (H.)** of Alfred A. Grant that provision be made for a suitable painting in the State House to portray the recent return of war, 859; referred to next General Court, under the 12th joint rule, 859.

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- Petition (H.) of Andrew J. Peters, mayor of the city of Boston, for the registration of establishments for the production, manufacture, storage or distribution of foodstuffs or beverages, 96; report (H.) reference to next General Court, 284; accepted, 297.
- Petition (H.) of P. M. Costello that suitable penalties be provided for violation of the law relating to, and, products, 116; report (H.) leave to withdraw, 397; accepted, 412.
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- Food and drugs, Petition (H.) of Stoughton Bell for an amendment of the law regulating the manufacture and sale of, 64; report (H.) leave to withdraw, 214; accepted, 223.
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- Petition (H.) of John C. Gordon relative to the protection of, and other fur-bearing animals kept in captivity, 128; report leave to withdraw, 449; accepted, 467.
- Foye, Ella M., Petition of, that she be reimbursed for a certain tax wrongfully paid, 25, 782. (See "Taxation Measures.")

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Petition (H.) of Jesse F. Stevens for the purchase by the Commonwealth of historical works relative to the service of Massachusetts volunteers in the European war, 34; Bill to authorize the purchase of historical works relative to the service of Massachusetts volunteers in the European war, 349, 437, 456, 466; new draft (H.), 619, 637, 650, 661; enacted, etc., 689.

Petition (H.) of Coleman E. Kelly for the establishment of a State home and school for crippled and disabled, 35; report (H.) leave to withdraw, 214; accepted, 223.

Petition (H.) of John Mitchell relative to the payment of poll taxes by persons in the military and naval service of the United States, 36; Bill (H.) relative to exemption from the payment of poll taxes of persons in the military or naval service of the United States, 195, 201, 222; enacted, etc., 240.

Petition of George E. Curran that provision be made for an honor roll, or other suitable memorial, of Massachusetts men who died in the war with Germany, 38; report (H.) reference to next General Court, 378; accepted, 393.

Resolutions urging employers to reinstate their soldier employees, 59; **Resolution** (H.) urging employers to reinstate their former employees recently discharged from the service of the United States, 203; adopted, 210.

Soldiers and sailors, Petition (H.) of Frederick S. Deitrick and others relative to the employment by the Commonwealth of crippled and blind persons, 65; petition of John J. Kearney and another that provision be made for the higher education of certain physically disabled persons, 84; petition of Harold L. Perrin that provision be made for an educational memorial for, of the present war, 84; petition (H.) of William H. Hearn for the establishment of a reconstruction commission to act for the Commonwealth, 136; petition (H.) of John P. Englert and others relative to the maintenance of disabled men of the military and naval forces of the United States, 165; Resolve to provide for an investigation by a special commission of the question of training disabled, and of related matters, 374, 871, 887, 951; passed, etc., 1017.

Petition (H.) of Wilfrid Wheeler relative to the improvement of waste lands and to providing farm lands for persons who have served in the armed forces of the United States, 65; petition (H.) of Augustus P. Loring relative to the furnishing of farms by the Commonwealth to discharged, and others, 112; petition (H.) of Roland D. Sawyer for a board or commission to develop and utilize the agricultural resources of the Commonwealth, 134, 354; two hundred copies of a "Bill to provide for the use and improvement of the natural resources of the Commonwealth, the production of food, and employment and farming lands for persons who have served in the armed forces of the United States, and others," ordered printed for the use of the committee, 213; Bill reported (S.), 374, 684, 698, (title changed) "to develop the natural resources of the Commonwealth, to stimulate food production, and to provide agricultural opportunities for," 714; notice from House of reference to next General Court, 883.

Petition of Peter F. Sullivan for an extension of the provisions of existing law relative to State and military aid for, marines and nurses who were in the service of the United States in the war with Germany, and for the dependents of such persons, 76; so much of the Governor's Address concerning "returning," as relates to State military aid, 81; so much of the recommendations of the Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions as relates to State aid for certain persons honorably discharged from the military or naval service of the United States after service in the European war, 86; petition (H.) of Frederick S. Deitrick and another relative to soldiers' relief for veterans of the European war, 87; Bill (H.) to provide for State and military aid and soldiers' relief for persons in the military or naval service of the United States in the war with Germany and for their dependents, 597, 609, 621, 660; preamble adopted, (yeas and nays) 688; enacted, etc., 702.

Petition of Peter F. Sullivan that provision be made for State aid in the erection by cities and towns of monuments or other memorials commemorating war service, 77; report reference to next General Court, 276; accepted, 287.

Order requesting the Treasurer and Receiver-General to report to the Senate as early as practicable the total disbursements to date to Massachusetts residents in the service of the United States under the provisions of chapter 211 of the General Acts of 1917, as extended by chapter 92 of the General Acts of 1918, his estimate of further disbursements required thereunder, and also his estimate, after consultation with the Adjutant-General, of the further cost to the Commonwealth of new legislation continuing payments as therein provided from the date of their discontinuance until the first day of January, 1919, 78; adopted, 89; communication from Treasurer and Receiver-General, 124.

Soldiers and sailors, So much of the Governor's Address as relates to returning, 81; Bill (H. in part) relative to the civil service status of persons discharged or relieved from active duty from the military or naval service of the United States, 244, 254, (title changed) 255; preamble adopted, (yeas and nays) 265; enacted, etc., 265.

Petition of Warren E. Tarbell for a suitable recognition of, and that they may receive record books, medals or other suitable tokens, 83; report reference to next General Court, 351; accepted, 364.

Petition (H.) of John B. Cashman relative to pensions for certain disabled, 87; report (H.) reference to next General Court, 388; accepted, 403.

Resolutions (H.) urging Congress to provide for an early discharge of men in the military service of the United States, 87; new draft (H.) "favoring an early discharge from the United States Army of all soldiers, except those in the regular army, who desire to be discharged," 244; adopted, 255.

Petition (H.) of the selectmen of Wakefield that said town be authorized to appropriate money for celebrating the return of, 87; Bill (H.) to authorize cities and towns to appropriate money to celebrate the return of, 133, 149, 162; preamble adopted, (yeas and nays) 181; enacted, etc., 181.

Petition of Edwin T. McKnight that the operation of the civil service laws and regulations be suspended in favor of, and marines returning from war service who are qualified to enter the public service and that provision be made for their immediate employment, 99; Bill to suspend the civil service laws and regulations in favor of returning, 207, 216, 222; new draft (H.), 313, 540, 555, 574; preamble adopted, 676, (yeas and nays) 677; enacted, etc., 702; bill returned by Governor with recommendation of amendment, 708; 731; amendments rejected, (yeas and nays) 739; bill again enacted, 740; 749; communication from the Attorney-General relative to re-enactment, 749; re-enactment rescinded, 750; notice from House that it had refused to re-enact the bill, 829.

Petition of Peter F. Sullivan that State pay for, and marines be continued from the date originally provided in chapter 211 of the Acts of 1917, 108, 171, 414, 504; petition (H.) of John Mitchell for an extension of the time during which the ten-dollar bounty shall be paid to, from this Commonwealth, 157, 414, 504; petition of George A. Hastings that cities and towns be required to make just and adequate financial provision for returned or returning, or marines until they secure remunerative employment, 189; Bill to require cities and towns to make just and adequate provision for their returning, and marines, 385, 401; new draft (S.), 433, 445; petition (H.) of John R. Hudson that cities and towns be authorized to appropriate money for the payment of additional compensation to citizens who served in the European war, 260; Bill (H.) to authorize cities and towns to appropriate money for the payment of additional compensation to their citizens who served in the present war, 487; Bill (H.) to provide suitable recognition for the services of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the army and navy of the United States during the war with Germany (based also, in part, on the petitions which follow and which were the basis of the order which provided for raising the revenue required for the legislation), 864, 923, 936, (title changed) 953; preamble adopted, 982, (yeas and nays) 983; 991; enacted, etc., (yeas and nays) 997; bill recalled from Governor, 1005; amended, 1018. enacted, etc., (yeas and nays) 1033.

Bill (H.) relative to the term of the bonds to be issued to provide suitable recognition of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the army and navy of the United States during the war with Germany, 1076; preamble adopted, (yeas and nays) 1077; enacted, etc., 1080.

- Soldiers and sailors**, Petition (H.) of William Plattner that gratuities be paid to, marines and nurses of the European war, 137; petition (H.) of Edward F. Harrington for an extension of the period for State pay for, from this Commonwealth in the service of the United States, 157; petition (H.) of Roland D. Sawyer relative to State pay for residents of the Commonwealth who served in the army or navy of the United States during the European war, 158; petition (H.) of Matthew A. Higgins that the provision of State pay for, be extended to drafted men, 165; petition (H.) of Alvin E. Bliss that suitable provision be made for recognizing the service and patriotism of the Massachusetts men who served in the European war, 165; petition (H.) of James E. Odlin and others that State pay be granted, from this Commonwealth in the Federal service, 179; order (H. in part) directing the committee on Taxation to consider forthwith the matter of raising additional revenue necessary to meet the principal and interest of the bonds the issue of which is authorized by the House Bill to provide suitable recognition for the service of certain residents of Massachusetts in the army and navy of the United States during the German war (House, No. 1760), — said committee shall determine all questions relative to the method of raising said revenue, the sort of taxes which should be assessed and the relative amounts to be raised by each tax, duty or excise; said committee shall also consider the practicability of changing the method of collection of the civilian war poll tax and the usual poll tax now in force, as provided in said bill, and shall consider especially the method of collection at the source; said committee shall also consider the practicability of adopting new methods for making certain that the taxes provided in said bill and in any bill which they report shall be collected without loss, either by the publication of lists of delinquent taxpayers or the imposition of a fine or other penalty for failure to pay the same; said committee shall report upon all these matters and such other matters as they deem incident to this investigation as soon as possible, with drafts of bills to carry out its recommendations, — 865; adopted, 865; Bill (H. in part) to impose special taxes to provide suitable recognition of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the army and navy of the United States during the war with Germany, 1077, 1089, 1100, 1107, 1110; preamble adopted, 1124, (yeas and nays) 1125; enacted, etc., 1134.
- Petition (H.) of Charles A. Flanagan relative to certain leaves of absence for veterans of the civil, Spanish and European wars, 111; report (H.) leave to withdraw, 421; accepted, 435.
- Petition (H.) of Charles A. Flanagan and another relative to the record of Massachusetts, and marines who served in the Spanish-American war, 111. (See "State Budget Bills.")
- Petition (H.) of William H. McDonnell for the planting of trees in memory of, who died during the European war, 111; report (H.) reference to next General Court, 388; accepted, 404.
- Order requesting the Director of the Bureau of Statistics to investigate as to what further legislation or appropriations may be necessary or advisable in order to render the employment offices under his direction adequate to co-operate with existing agencies in finding employment for returning, and to report his recommendations to the Senate as early as practicable, 114; adopted, 114; communication received and placed on file, 184.
- Resolutions (H.) urging the Congress of the United States to pay, discharged from the service, six months additional salary, 164; (H.) 238; adopted, 248.
- Petition (H.) of Otis Clapp relative to the amount to be allowed for the burial of indigent, 119; Bill (H.) relative to the amount to be allowed for the

burial of indigent, 503, 509; report ought not to pass, 560, 573; rejection negatived, 592; 605, 617; enacted, etc., 641.

Soldiers and sailors, Petition (H.) of Daniel D. Brouthers relative to the eligibility of widows of civil war veterans to soldiers' relief in certain cases, 119; Bill (H.) to amend the laws relating to soldiers' relief, 462, 477; rejected, 873.

Order providing for the appointment of a joint special committee, consisting of five members of the Senate, to be designated by the President, and ten members of the House of Representatives, to be designated by the Speaker, to act in conjunction with the Massachusetts committee to welcome returning, and marines, appointed by the Governor, 133; Senate members appointed, 150; House members joined, 200.

Resolutions relative to men in Class 1-A not inducted into the military service of the United States, 143; notice of rejection by House, 525.

Petition (H.) of M. A. O'Brien, Jr., that provision be made for care of the graves of, and marines, 144; report reference to next General Court, 716; accepted, 732.

Petition (H.) of William H. Hearn for the granting of certificates of honor to citizens of Massachusetts who served on the Mexican border, 145; Bill (H.) to provide for the granting of certificates of honor to citizens of Massachusetts who served on the Mexican border, 828, 856, 868, 878; enacted, etc., 906.

Petition (H.) of Robert E. Bigney relative to information required from veterans in examinations by the Civil Service Commission, 147; report (H.) leave to withdraw, 285; accepted, 298.

Petition (H.) of Carlton W. Wonson relative to the employment of discharged, of the United States by the State Forester, 148; report (H.) reference to next General Court, 454; accepted, 468.

Petition (H.) of William H. McDonnell that cities and towns be authorized to pay annuities to the widows and orphans of employees killed in war service, 156; report (H.) leave to withdraw, 388; accepted, 404.

Petition (H.) of John P. Englert and others that honorably discharged, shall not be barred from employment under the civil service on account of conviction for crime, 157; report (H.) reference to next General Court, 589; accepted, 607.

Petition (H.) of the mayor and city solicitor of the city of Malden for an extension of the time within which payment of war allowance and State aid of dependents of, may be made, 158, 414; discharged, to House Committee on Ways and Means, 504. (Report leave to withdraw made in House and accepted by that branch.)

Order requesting the Board of Education to investigate the subject of the educational needs of returning and returned, and marines, especially those whose training and education were interrupted by their induction into the Federal service, with a view to legislation providing for the completion of their education or for their re-education at the expense of the Commonwealth in existing institutions of learning or otherwise, and to report to the Senate on or before the first day of March in the current year, 163; adopted, 175; communication received from Board of Education, 299; placed on file, 611.

Petition (H.) of Cornelius F. Haley relative to war allowances and State aid for certain residents of the Commonwealth who have served in the army or navy of the United States, 179; Bill (H.) relative to the notices to be given in certain cases of military aid and soldiers' relief, 462, 477; new draft (S.) "relative to the granting of soldiers' relief and military aid," 509, 518, 639; [committee of conference, 664; report (H.), 752; accepted, 752]; preamble adopted, (yeas and nays) 782; enacted, etc., 783.

- Soldiers and sailors**, Petition (H.) of B. L. Young for the continuance of State aid to the families of, and for soldiers' relief after discharge from the service, 179; Bill (H.) relative to war allowances for dependents of certain, and marines, 597, 609, 621, 635; preamble adopted, (yeas and nays) 666; enacted, etc., 678.
- Bill (H.)** making an appropriation for aiding returning, and marines in finding employment, 199, 203, 209, (title changed) 217, 221, (yeas and nays) 228, (yeas and nays) 231, (yeas and nays) 232, 278; [committee of conference, 305, 322, 336; report (S.), 375; accepted, 375]; enacted, etc., 464.
- Order (H.)** instructing the Insurance Commissioner to ascertain the rates charged to men in the military or naval service of the United States by insurance companies doing business in this Commonwealth, and the deductions exacted by said companies from the amounts due and payable to beneficiaries on insurance policies issued to, — the commissioner shall also investigate the practice of such insurance companies in respect to the attaching of "war clauses" to all policies held by or issued to, and the establishment of the "scaling basis," so called, in reference to the payment of amounts due on any such policy of insurance; he shall report his findings to the General Court, with such recommendations for legislation, if any, as he may deem expedient, — 209; report of Insurance Commissioner, 772; placed on file, 772.
- Petition of Francis Prescott** that provision be made for a general holiday on which the demobilisation and home-coming of Massachusetts, and marines may be appropriately celebrated, 213; Resolve to provide for the proper observance throughout the Commonwealth of the return of Massachusetts, and marines, 500, 519; new draft in form of bill (S.), 534; 544; preamble adopted, (yeas and nays) 632; enacted, etc., 650.
- Petition of Edwin T. McKnight** that the estates of persons who have died in the military or naval service of the United States be exempt from the provisions of the law imposing inheritance and succession taxes, 252; report (H.) leave to withdraw, 541; amended by substituting a "Bill to exempt the estates of, from the payment of certain inheritance taxes," 557; 618, 634, 644; notice of rejection by House, 835.
- Petition (H.) of Henry S. Clark and others** for a commission to provide for a memorial building for the use of the veterans of all wars in which the United States have participated, 260; Bill (H.) providing for the appointment of a Soldiers' Memorial Commission and for the construction of a building in memory of Massachusetts, 791, 802, 817, 823; enacted, etc., 837.
- Petition (H.) of Charles F. Rowley** that the estates of, who die in service during the present war be exempt from legacy and succession taxes, 280; report (H.) leave to withdraw, 541, 557; accepted, 932.
- Petition of John E. Beck** for an extension of the exemption of veterans from the payment of fees or licenses as insurance agents or brokers, 312; report leave to withdraw, 385; accepted, 403.
- Resolutions in favor of compelling Germany and her allies** to make financial reparation for the lives of Americans lost in the war, 329; reported (S.), 438; adopted, 456.
- Petition (H.) of the County of Worcester Retirement Board** that the benefits of retirement systems for county employees be preserved for employees in the military or naval service of the United States, 354; Bill (H.) relative to reinstatement of, in county retirement systems for employees, 514, 528, 535; preamble adopted, (yeas and nays) 571; enacted, etc., 590.

Soldiers and sailors, Message from His Excellency the Governor recommending a special appropriation to defray necessary expenses in connection with the return of the 26th Division, United States Army, 379; Bill (H.) making an appropriation for the expenses of a parade in Boston of the Twenty-sixth Division, United States Army, and for other like expenses, 395, 409, 426, 474; preamble adopted, (yeas and nays) 475; enacted, etc., 505.

Order (H.) requesting His Excellency the Governor to notify the various cities and towns in the Commonwealth to send in a list of names of former residents of the said cities and towns who have lost their lives in the military or naval service of the United States during the present war, in order that tickets for the spectators' stands, to be erected in the city of Boston by the Commonwealth for the parade of the 26th Division, may be furnished to the parents, wives or next of kin of the, in the said communities who have made the supreme sacrifice for their country, 442; order that the Senate chambers and balcony in front of the Senate chambers be reserved for the use of the members of the Senate and their guests on April 25, 1919, — no person except a member of the Senate shall be admitted without a ticket issued by the Senate committee on Rules who shall have full charge of the distribution of tickets; the Sergeant-at-Arms is hereby authorized and instructed to carry out the provisions of this order, — 578.

Petition of Samuel B. Finkel that the time be extended during which certain privileges and immunities conferred upon persons in the military or naval service of the United States may be enjoyed, 472; report leave to withdraw, 662, 682, 702, 738, 746; amended by substituting a "Bill to extend the period during which suits against, or marines shall be continued," 754; 767, (title changed) "further safeguarding the rights of persons now or lately in the war service of the United States," 784, 789; notice of rejection by House, 883.

Petition (H.) of John R. Hudson for the validation of the acts of cities and towns which have made appropriations for, memorials, 614; Bill (H.) to validate certain acts of cities and towns making appropriations for, memorials, 695, 704, (title changed) 715; preamble adopted, (yeas and nays) 745; enacted, etc., 765.

Petition of John J. Walsh relative to the admission as evidence of records of conviction of, and marines, 619; notice from House of reference to next General Court, under the 12th joint rule, 676.

Communication from, Commission recommending legislation to give certain preference in public employment to, and marines, 828; Bill giving certain preferences in public employment to, and marines, 880, 892, 933; enacted, etc., 976.

Petition (H.) of William A. Kneeland relative to preference in employment of veterans of the European war by the Boston Elevated Railway Company and the Bay State Street Railway Company, 859; referred to next General Court, under the 12th joint rule, 859.

Petition (H.) of Edward F. Harrington that, who take examinations for plumbers' licenses be given certain credits, 925; Bill (H.) relative to the granting of plumbers' licenses to certain, 1047, 1056, 1065; preamble adopted, 1078, (yeas and nays) 1079; enacted, etc., 1092.

Bill (H.) relative to State and military aid and to the burial of indigent, (on so much of the Governor's Address as relates thereto, in part), 974, 981, 993, 1000; enacted, etc., 1034.

- Soldiers and sailors, Petition (H.) of George E. Wright** relative to extending the time for applications for registration as chiropodists to persons who were absent by reason of military service, 1040; Bill (H.) extending the time for applications for registration as chiropodists to persons absent from the Commonwealth by reason of military or naval service, 1054; preamble adopted, (yeas and nays) 1079; enacted, etc., 1092.
- Petition (H.) of David J. Maloney** that members of the General Court be authorized to administer oaths in connection with applications for soldiers' bonuses, 1091; Bill relative to the taking of jurats in applications for, bonuses, 1103; preamble adopted, (yeas and nays) 1111; enacted, etc., 1115.
- Petition of John J. Mahoney** for the protection of, and marines in receiving certain payments from the Commonwealth, 1130; notice from House of reference to next General Court, under the 12th joint rule, 1152.
- Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts, Petition of John E. Beck** that provision be made for the expenses of, 31; Resolve in favor of the trustees of, 420; new draft (S.), 646, 659, 672; passed, etc., 783.
- Order (H.)** providing for a joint special committee to examine the buildings at, in order to determine what danger to the inmates from fire exists in the said buildings or in any one of them; and if the committee should find that proper protection from fire is lacking in any building, or that the building itself is unsafe, to report a plan for such reconstruction or alteration of the buildings or such additions thereto as may be necessary to make the inmates safe from fire, with an estimate of the cost thereof, 570; Senate members appointed, 588; House members joined, 614, 632; order extending time for report, 686; report of committee received, 780; Resolve to provide for an investigation to determine proper building plans for reducing the danger of fire for, 1020, (title changed) 1028; passed, etc., 1061.
- Soldiers' relief.** See "Soldiers and Sailors."
- Soliciting of funds.** See "Tag Day."
- Somerville, city of, Petition (H.) of Warren C. Daggett and another** relative to providing for biennial elections in, 47, 164; Bill (H.) to provide for biennial elections in, 353, 362, 381; enacted, etc., 408.
- Petition (H.) of Patrick H. Ryan** for reinstatement in the reserve force of the police department of, 72; report (H.) leave to withdraw, 208; accepted, 217.
- Sounding boards.** See "Armories."
- Southborough, town of.** See "State Highways."
- South Boston (see "Dry Dock"), Bill (H.)** relative to Dry Dock Avenue in, district of the city of Boston (on the recommendations of the Commission on Waterways and Public Lands, in part), 395, 512, 527, 535; enacted, etc., 601.
- Southeastern district.** See "District Attorneys."
- Spanish influenza.** See "Hudson, Town of," "Lawrence, City of," and "Pittsfield, City of."
- Petition (H.) of James H. Brennan** relative to an investigation of the disease known as, 55; report (H.) leave to withdraw, 140; accepted, 162.
- Petition (H.) of Edward F. Harrington** for an appropriation for the assistance of families who have suffered from, 66; report (H.) leave to withdraw, 239; accepted, 251.
- Petition (H.) of John M. Gibbs** that cities and towns be reimbursed for expenses incurred in the erection and maintenance of temporary hospitals during, epidemic, 119; report (H.) leave to withdraw, 696; accepted, 706.
- Petition (H.) of Frank Mulveny** for an appropriation to be used by the State Department of Health in connection with the control, suppression and treatment of, and pneumonia, 146; report (H.) leave to withdraw, 580; accepted, 595.

Specifications to weavers. See "Textile Factories."

Spectacle Island, Petition (H.) of John R. Nelson relative to the abatement by the State Department of Health of the nuisance now existing at, in Boston Harbor, 119; report (H.) reference to next General Court, 569; accepted, 584.

Springfield, city of, Petition (H.) of Frank A. Farnham for the discontinuance of a public landing in, 72; report (H.) leave to withdraw, 264; accepted, 275.

Springfield, South Congregational Society of, Petition (H.) of William C. Taylor and others that, be dissolved and that all its rights and powers be given to and exercised by the South Congregational Church of Springfield, 54; Bill (H.) relative to the South Congregational Society and Church of Springfield, 164, 173, 182; enacted, etc., 200.

Springfield Branch of the Women's Board of Missions, Petition of Elizabeth S. Burnham and others for an amendment of the act incorporating, 502; Bill (H.) relative to, 781, 789, 795; enacted, etc., 820.

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Standards, Commissioner of, Recommendations of, 86 (see "Bottles"); Bill to establish the salaries of the inspection force of, 586, 811, 822, (title changed) 831; enacted, etc., 935.

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State Aid and Pensions, Commissioner of, Recommendations of, 86. (See "Soldiers and Sailors.")

Report (H.) no further legislation necessary on so much as relates to providing for certain expenses in the department of said commissioner, and to increasing the salary of the chief clerk and providing that the temporary agents of the department be made permanent, 620; accepted, 636.

Bill (H. in part) relative to the duties and expenses of, 655, 709, 723, 741, 814; preamble adopted, (yeas and nays) 830; enacted, etc., 836.

Petition (H.) of L. F. Hanson that the salary of the special agent of, be established, 120; report (H.) leave to withdraw, 541; accepted, 558.

Petition (H.) of John I. Fitzgerald for the appointment of a second deputy to, 441; report (H.) reference to next General Court, 1132; accepted, 1132.

State boards and commissions. See "Needy Persons" and "State Departments, Organization of."

Petition of Albert Birch relative to the purchase of supplies, material and machinery by, 85; report leave to withdraw, 341; accepted, 357.

Petition (H.) of B. L. Young relative to expenditures by heads of departments and other officials of the Commonwealth, 204; Bill (H.) relative to expenditures by heads of departments and other officials of the Commonwealth, 226, 243, 254, (title changed) 262; preamble adopted, (yeas and nays) 294; enacted, etc., 307.

Bill (H.) relative to the filing by, of recommendations and suggestions for legislative action, 579, 586, 605, 617; enacted, etc., 641.

State Budget bills:

Petition (H.) of Edwin T. McKnight and Joseph E. Warner that the time be extended for submitting the annual budget to the General Court, 36; Bill (H.) to establish the time for submitting the annual budget to the General Court, 377, 391, 410; enacted, etc., 431.

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Bill (H.) making appropriations for the maintenance of departments, boards, commissions, institutions and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements, 312, 460, 478; [method of procedure in consideration of bill, 487]; 488, 505, 506, (yeas and nays) 507, 520; [committee of conference, 568, 579; report, 587; accepted, 587]; enacted, etc., 642.

Bill (H.) in addition to the general appropriation act making appropriations to supplement certain items contained therein, for certain permanent improvements and for certain new activities and projects (being based, in part, on the following: so much of the recommendations of the Board of Education as relates to the State Normal School at Framingham, 46; Bill (taken from House files) authorizing the Sergeant-at-Arms to improve the ventilation of the Senate chamber, the chamber of the House of Representatives and the various committee rooms in the State House, 46; petition (H.) of Frederic C. Nichols relative to the acquisition by the Commonwealth of land for the State Normal School at Fitchburg, 47; Resolve (taken from House files) to provide for the purchase of land for normal school purposes in the city of Fitchburg, 53; petition (H.) of Roland D. Sawyer for compensation for Thomas Riley of Belchertown for injury to his property by live stock owned by the Commonwealth, 64; petition (H.) of Carl Dreyfus and others for certain improvements at institutions under the control of the trustees of Massachusetts Training Schools, 96; petition (H.) of Charles N. Stoddard and another for the purchase of additional land for the Mount Sugar Loaf State Reservation, 102; petition (H.) of Horace B. Parker and others that the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company and Frank G. Bird of Boston be compensated for services rendered the National Guard, 105; petition (H.) of Horace B. Parker for the payment by the Commonwealth of certain sums of money to officers of the First and Second Regiments Massachusetts Field Artillery, 105; petition (H.) of Charles A. Flanagan and another relative to the record of Massachusetts soldiers, sailors and marines who served in the Spanish-American war, 111; petition (H.) of R. L. Bridgman and others for the installation of an additional elevator in the State House, 121; petition (H.) of Benjamin B. Jones that the town of Berkley be compensated for the tuition of certain children on parole from the Massachusetts training schools, 179; petition (H.) of John H. Montgomery that the administrator of the estate of William Street of Holyoke be reimbursed for land taken by the Mount Tom State Reservation Commission, 398; petition of Richard R. Flynn that Le Roy E. Talcott of Winthrop be reimbursed for certain expenses incurred by him while in the military service, 502; petition (H.) of Thomas F. Pedrick that a receptacle be provided in the State House for the flags carried by Massachusetts soldiers and sailors in the present war, 649, 812, 834, 846, 853, 925; enacted, etc., 976.

Bill (H.) in further addition to the General Appropriation Act making appropriations to supplement certain items contained therein, and for certain new activities and projects, 1156; enacted, etc., 1158.

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- Bill (taken from House files) to provide for the improvement by the Massachusetts Highway Commission of a highway in the town of Lunenburg, 71. (Bill reported in House and referred by that branch to next General Court.)
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- Petition (H.) of Gardner W. Pearson that cities and towns be authorized to construct, acquire, own and operate street railways and other means of transportation, 98; report (H.) leave to withdraw, 697; accepted, 706.
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- Yeas and nays, On adopting an amendment, moved by Mr. Loring, to substitute a "Bill relative to attachments of personal property" for the Senate report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Augustus P. Loring relative to regulating the attachment of certain kinds of personal property, 953.
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- On adopting the preamble for the Bill to authorize the maintenance of a temporary bridge over Neponset River in the cities of Boston and Quincy, and to cede certain land to the United States, 974.
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- On adopting an amendment, moved by Mr. Hobbs, to substitute a "Bill to provide additional methods of guaranteeing compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Act" for the House report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Frank F. Dresser that provision be made for additional methods of guaranteeing compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Act; and on the petition of Carlton W. Wonson for additional methods of guaranteeing compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Act, 984.
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- On passing to be engrossed the House Bill relative to the taxation of persons engaged in the business of dealing in intangible personal property, 992.
- On adopting the preamble for the Bill to regulate the mileage allowance of members and certain employees of the General Court, 996.
- On adopting the preamble for the Bill granting the consent of the Commonwealth to the purchase by the United States of certain lands in South Boston, and ceding jurisdiction thereover, 996.
- On adopting an amendment, moved by Mr. Beck, of the Senate Bill to promote the health and physical development of school children, 999.
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- On adopting an amendment, moved by Mr. Beck, of the House Bill relative to registration fees for motor trucks, trailers and commercial motor vehicles, 1001.
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- Yeas and nays, On adopting an amendment, moved by Mr. Cavanagh, to substitute a "Bill to provide for the establishment of a State Fund Association for the purpose of insuring the liability of employers to make compensation on account of injured employees" for the House report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Massachusetts State Branch of the American Federation of Labor for the establishment of a State insurance fund and for compulsory participation in the workmen's compensation law by employers; and on the petition of Carlton W. Wonson for the establishment of a State insurance fund and for compulsory participation by employers in the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1008.
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- On adopting the preamble for the Bill relative to the appropriation for the improvement of Beverly Harbor, 1022.
- On adopting the preamble for the Bill to provide for the exchange of certain lands and rights in land between the United States and the Commonwealth, situated in Watertown, and to complete the construction of North Beacon Street in said town, 1022.
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